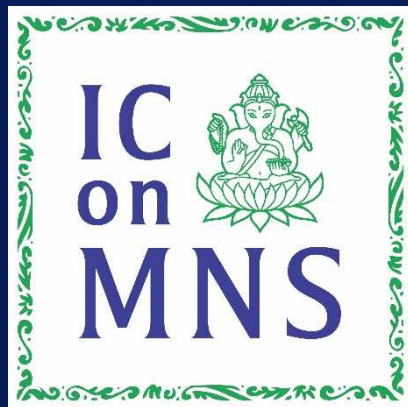




Challenges in the Design of Coordination Polymers of the Zinc-Triad 1,1-Dithiolates

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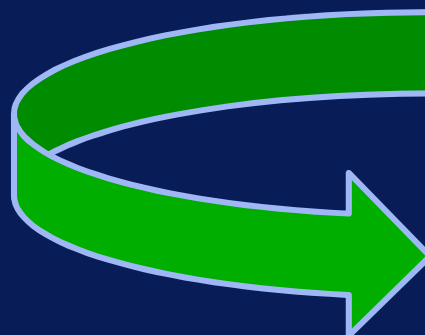
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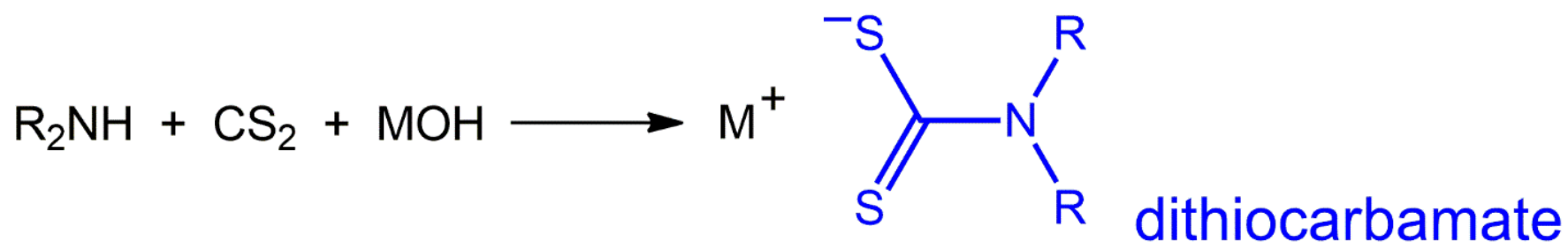
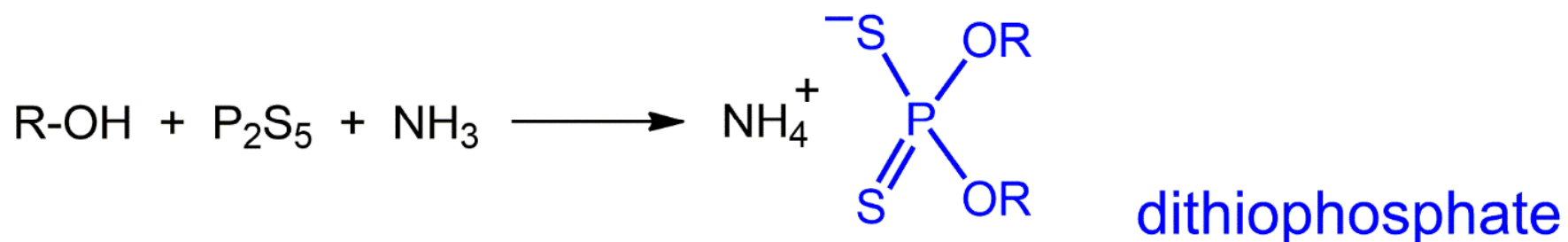
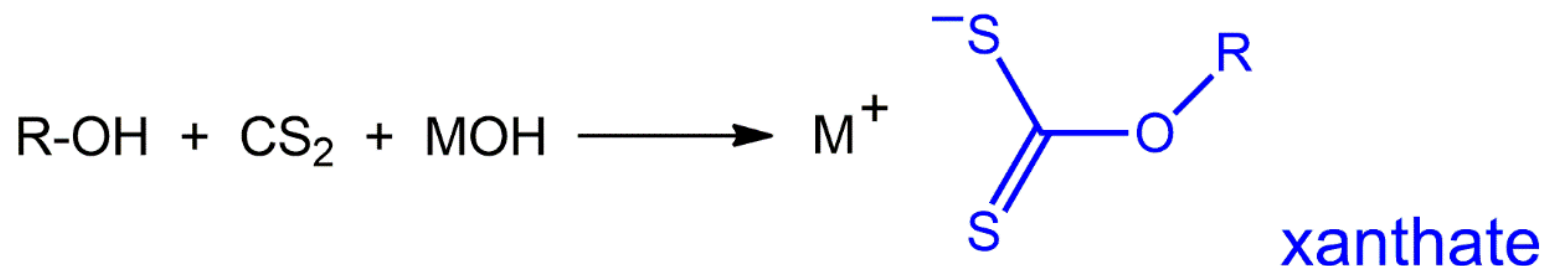
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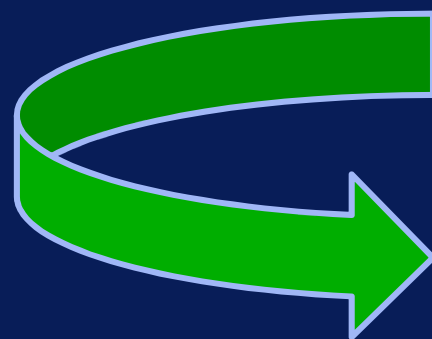
Biological bismuth

Synthesis



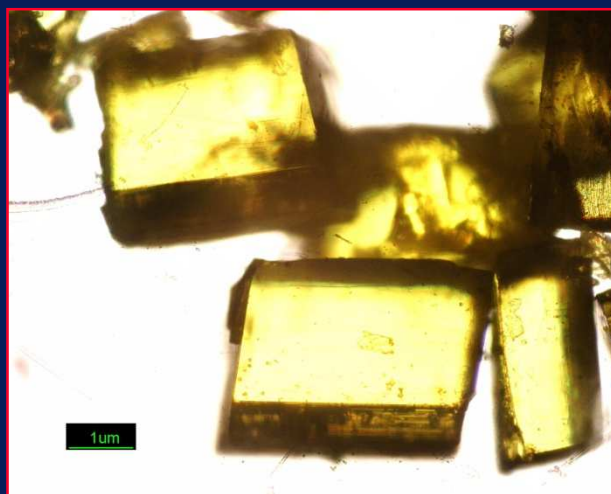


Molecular bismuth compounds, a panacea for human disease?



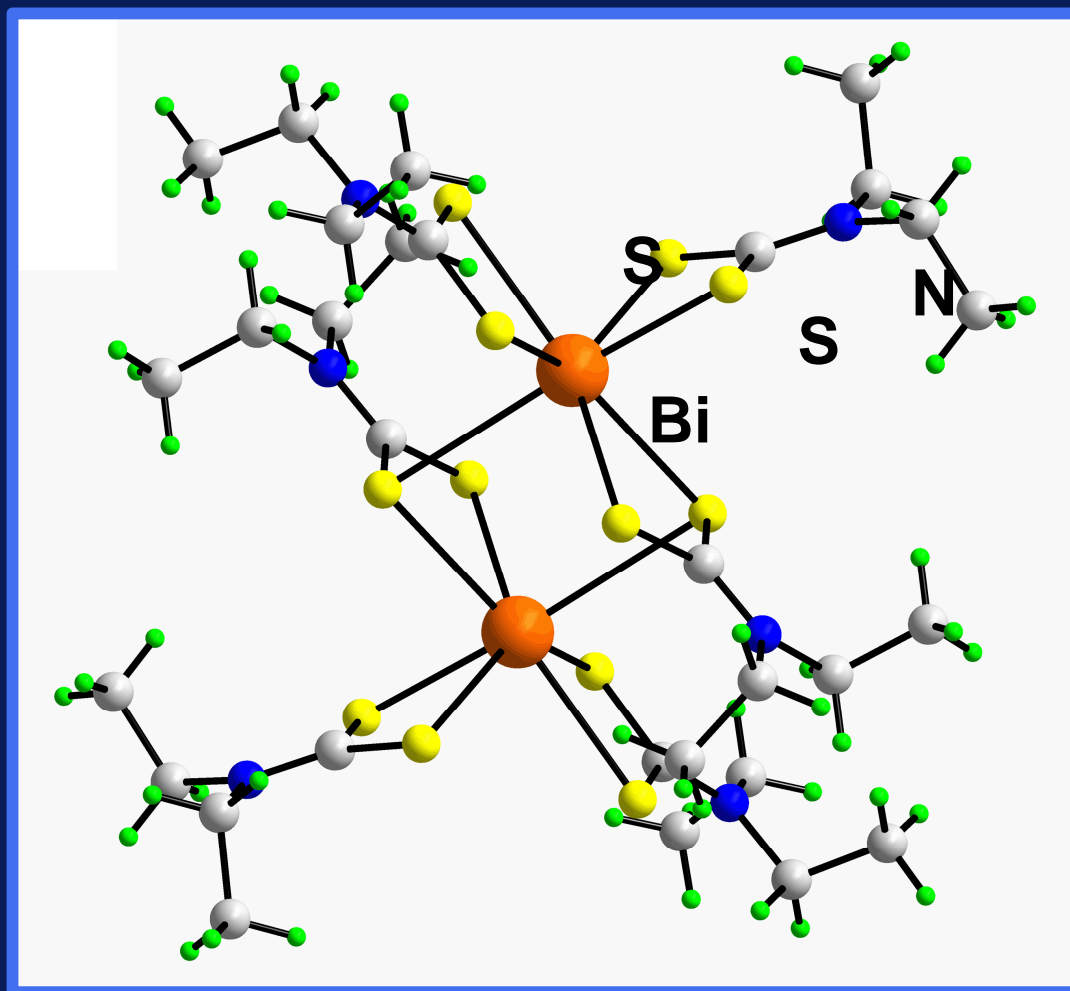
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Preparation of $\{\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_3\}_2$



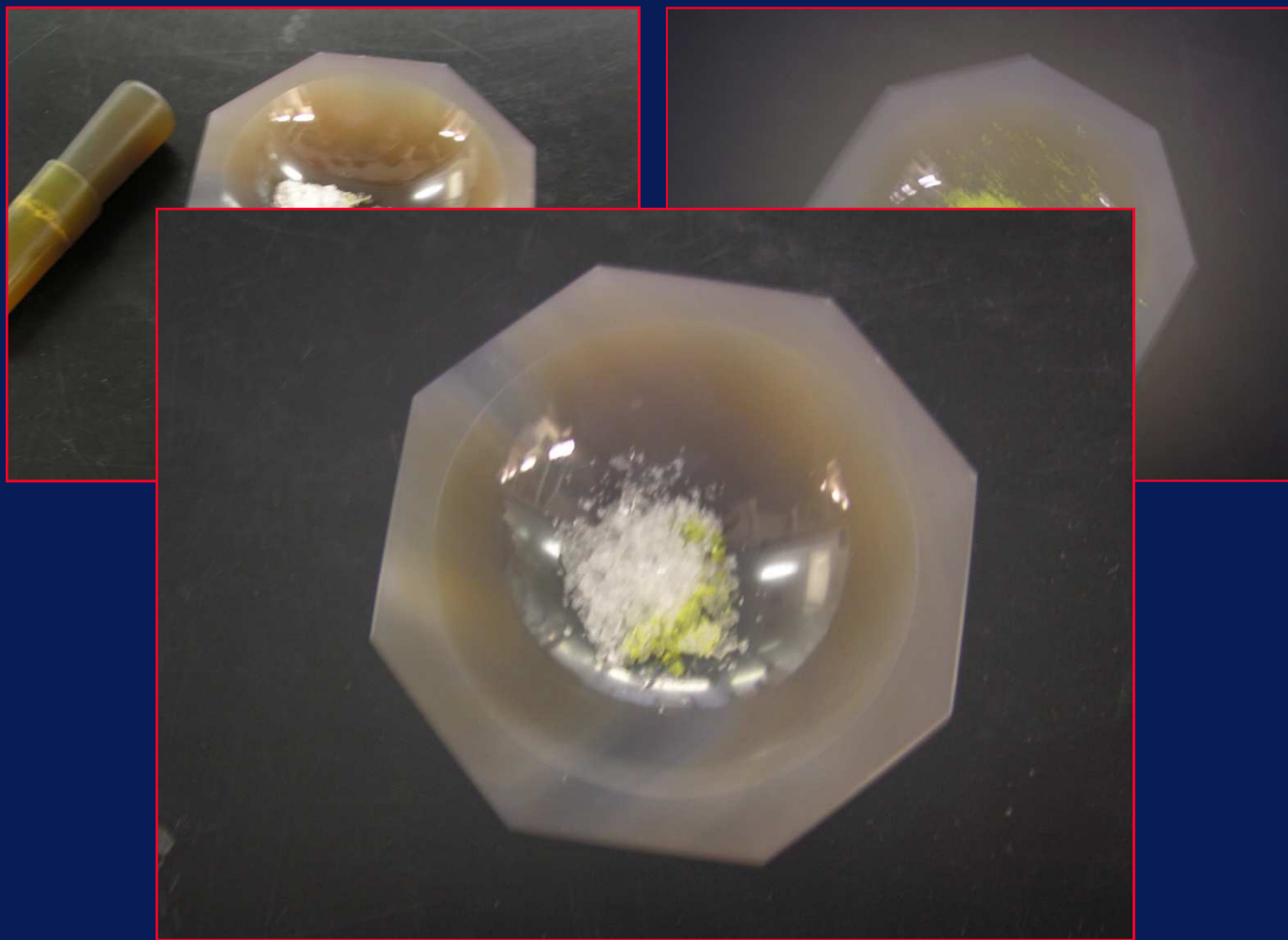
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Dimeric structure of $\{\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_3\}_2$



Single-crystal X-ray crystallography

Preparation of $\{\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_3\}_2$



Green chemistry

Bismuth and Medicine

gastric and duodenal ulcers:



De-Nol®
(coll-Bi subcitrate)



Pepto-Bismol®
(Bi subsalicylate)



Pylorid®
(rantidine Bi citrate)

262 or 524 mg/ml

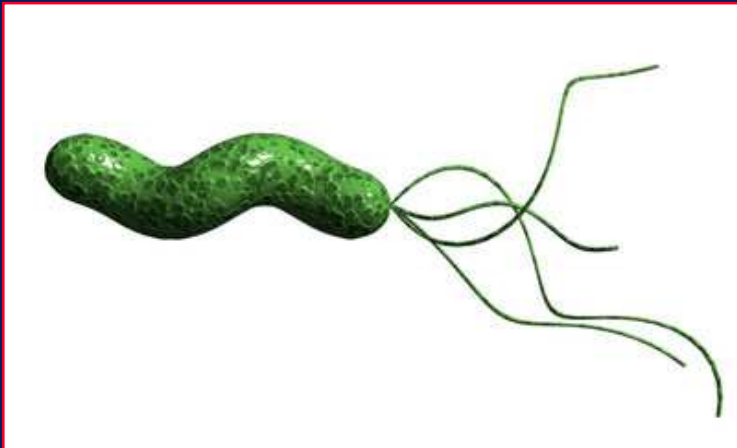
...caused by stress, spicy foods and too much acid

Helicobacter pylori

Harms stomach lining

Stimulates immune response

Inflammation



http://www.pcsg.org.uk/html/dis_helicobacter.html

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MEDICAL NOBEL PRIZE

ULCER REVELATION

Two Australians share award for discovery of ulcer-causing bacterium

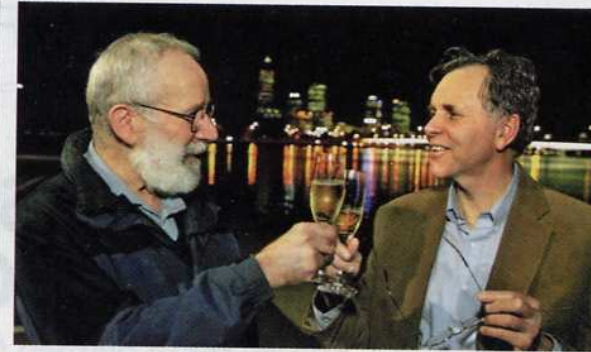
THE 2005 NOBEL PRIZE IN Physiology or Medicine honors the discovery that ulcers are caused by the bacterium *Helicobacter pylori*—not stress or lifestyle as had been thought. The Nobel Assembly at Karolinska Institute, which awards the prize, describes the discovery as “remarkable and unexpected” and notes that it “challenged prevailing dogmas.”

J. Robin Warren, 68, formerly a pathologist at the Royal Perth Hospital in Australia, and Barry J. Marshall, 54, who runs an *H. pylori* research lab at the University of Western Australia, in Nedlands, will share the \$1.3 million prize.

The path to the Nobel Prize began when Warren noted that stomach tissue from patient bi-

opsies was often colonized by a small, curved bacterium and that inflammation of the gastric mucosa in these tissue samples always occurred near the bacterium. Marshall collaborated with Warren and eventually succeeded in culturing the bacterium, which was later named *H. pylori*. The researchers determined that the bacterium could be found in most patients with gastric inflammation, duodenal ulcer, or gastric ulcer. On the basis of these results, “they proposed that *H. pylori* is involved in the etiology of these diseases,” the Nobel Assembly notes.

Because the stomach’s acidity was thought to be too harsh for bacteria to survive, the researchers’ hypothesis was met with skep-

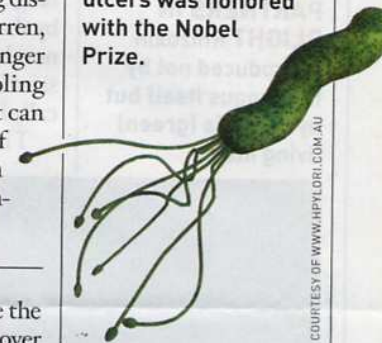


CHEERS Warren (left) and Marshall celebrate their win.

ticism. Marshall responded by quaffing a culture of the bacterium and showing in a most direct manner that the organism causes gastritis.

“Thanks to the pioneering discovery by Marshall and Warren, peptic ulcer disease is no longer a chronic, frequently disabling condition, but a disease that can be cured by a short regimen of antibiotics and acid secretion inhibitors,” the Nobel Assembly says.—SOPHIE ROVNER

CULPRIT Discovery of *H. pylori*, shown here in an artist’s rendition, and its role in causing ulcers was honored with the Nobel Prize.



NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS

OPTICS DISCOVERIES

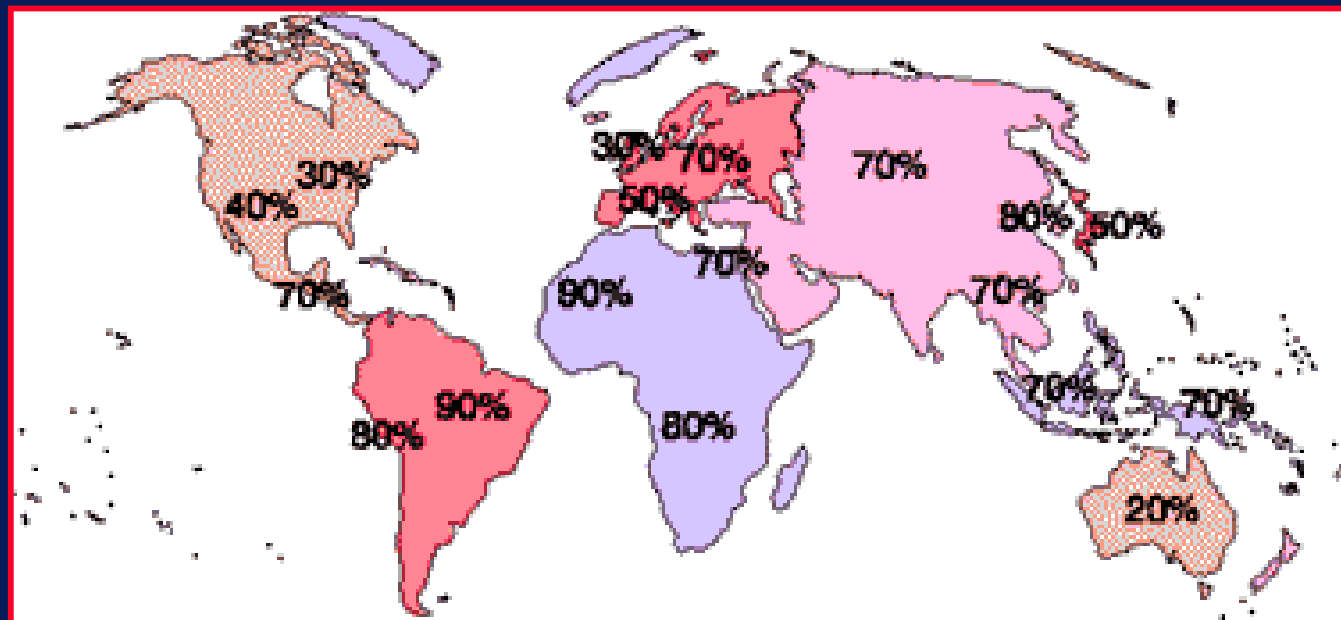
Americans, German are honored for theoretical and practical breakthroughs

allowed physicists to examine the stability of nature’s constants over



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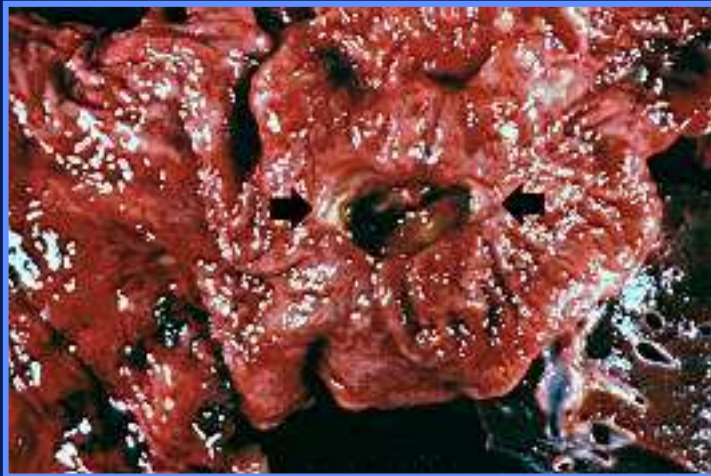
Helicobacter pylori



<http://www.helico.com/>

Mechanism of action (?):

Helicobacter pylori :



IPNET.LAB
The Interactive Pathology Laboratory

Bismuth subsalicylate

H^+



"Bi"

Inactivates F1-ATPase

Binding to transferrin
and lactoferrin

Bismuth compounds and cancer

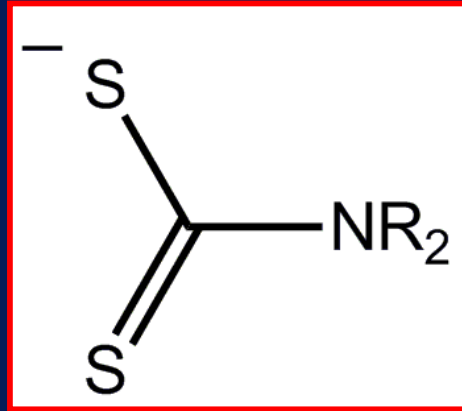
Bismuth compounds: pro-drugs

H.p. causative agent for gastrointestinal cancers

WHO: class 1 carcinogen

Combine bismuth with 'useful' thiols

Dithiocarbamates in biology



Radiation therapy: inhibition of SOD

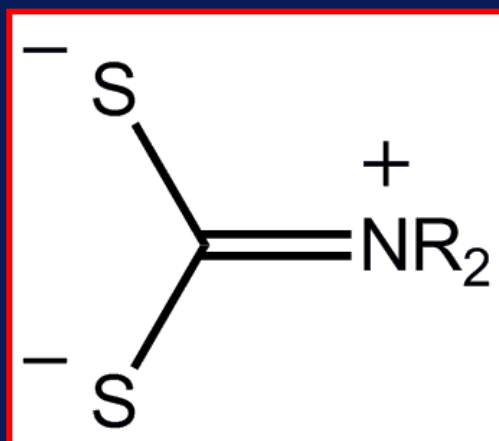
Anti-cancer effects:

reduces alkylation of DNA

combination therapy with cisplatin

Dithiocarbamates in biology

Significant contribution of:



- a very effective chelator for metals

Metal dithiocarbamates in medicine

Cu: Wilson's disease

Ru: anti-viral

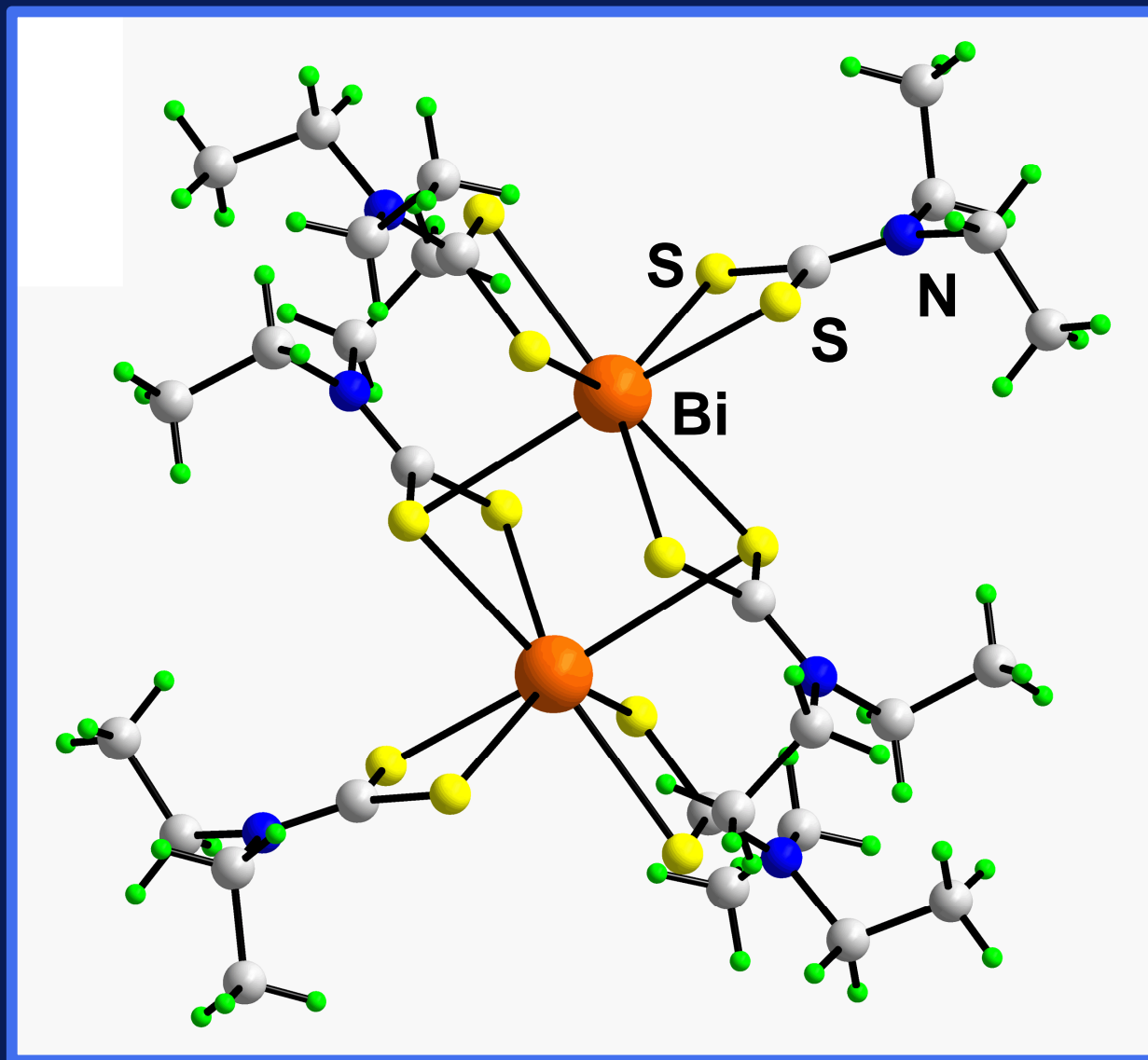
Sn: anti-microbial

Fe: anti-HIV

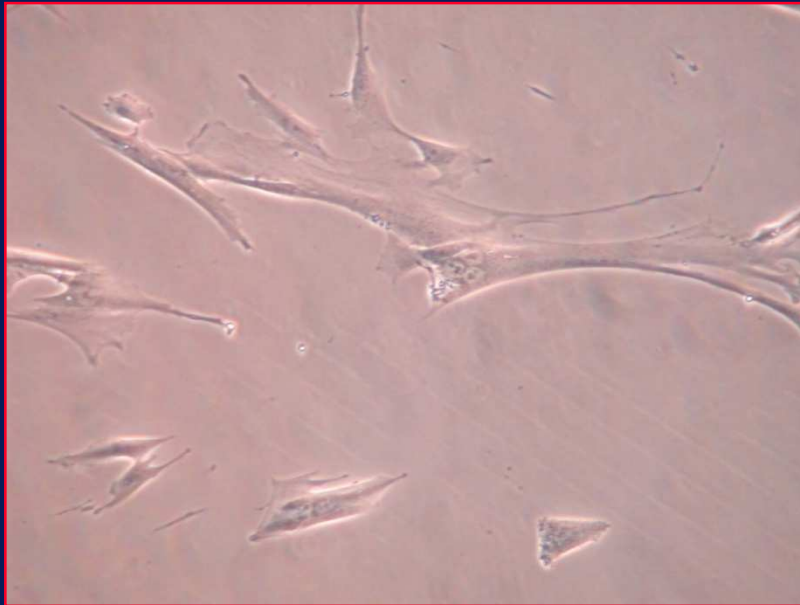
Pt, Pd, Sn & Au: anti-tumour potential

Hogath (2012)

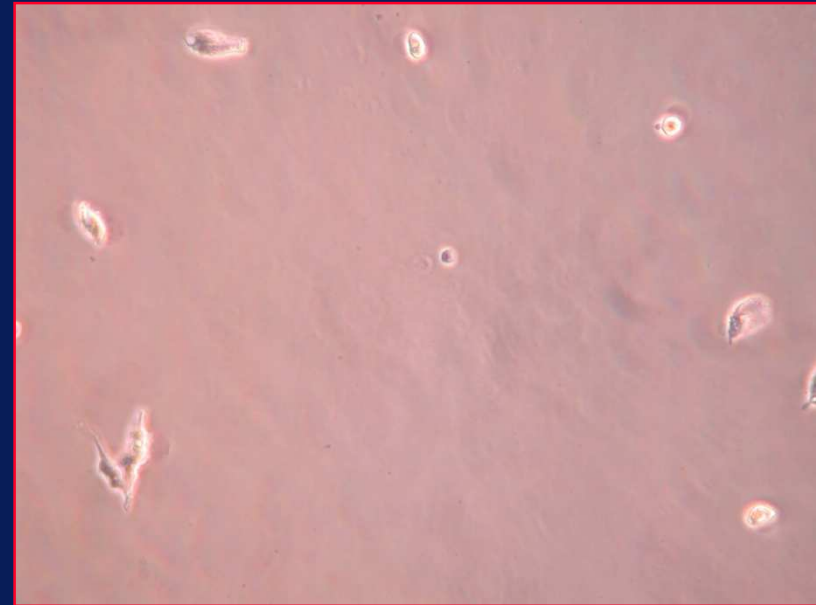
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MRC-5 Cells



normal



treated

Cytotoxicity (ID₅₀; ng/ml):

	IGROV-1	MCF-7
cisplatin	169	699
DOX	60	10
MTX	7	18
ETO	580	2594

Bi(dedtc)₃

< 3.2

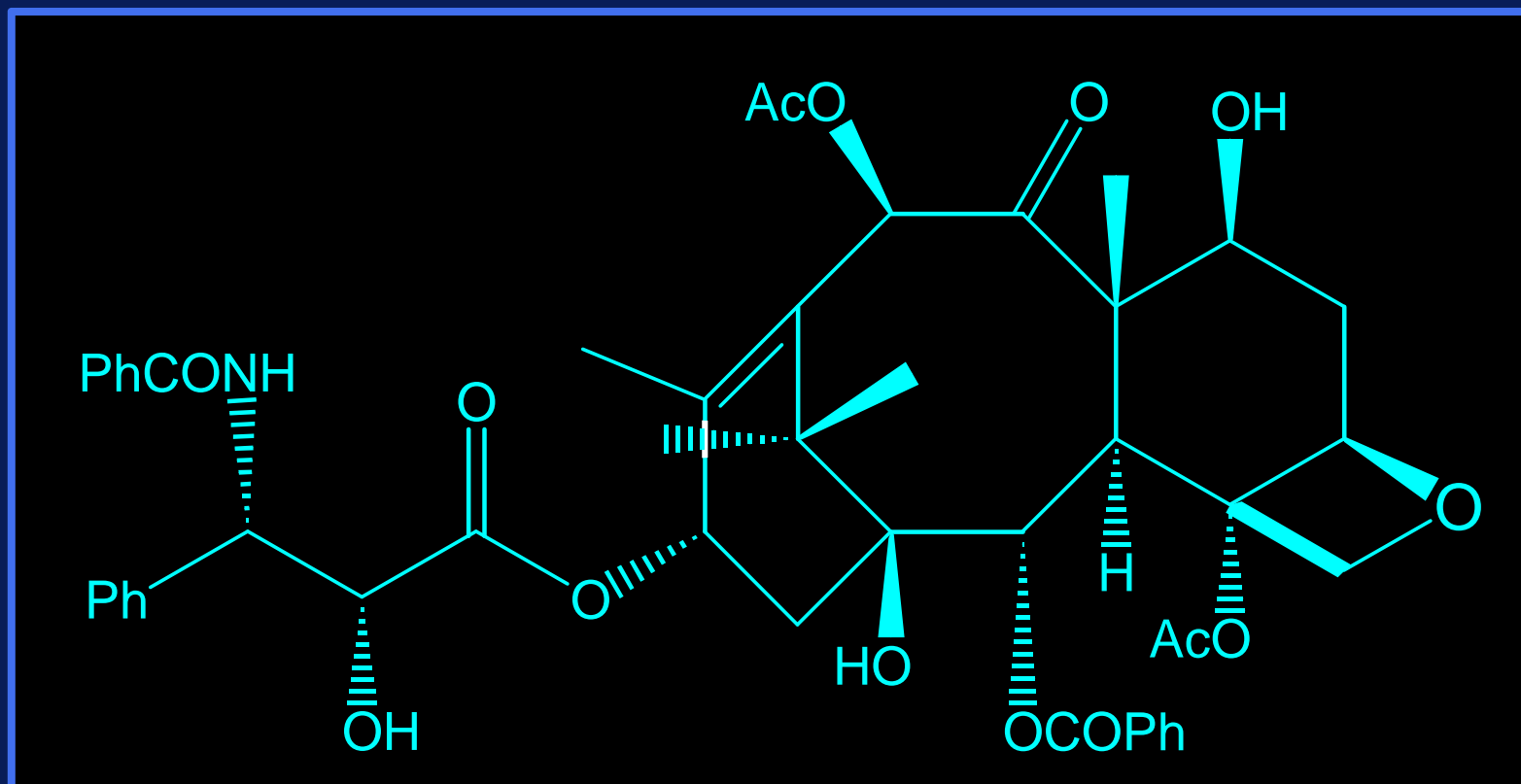
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TAX

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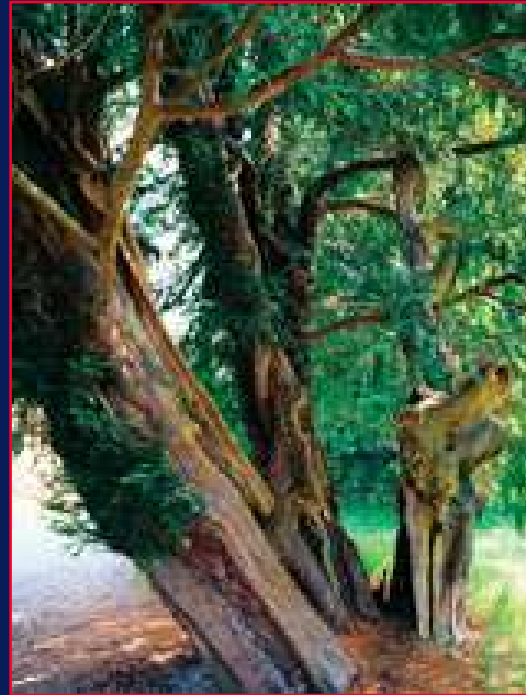
Taxol (Paclitaxel®)



Ovarian & breast cancers, Kaposi's sarcoma,
non-small-cell lung cancer

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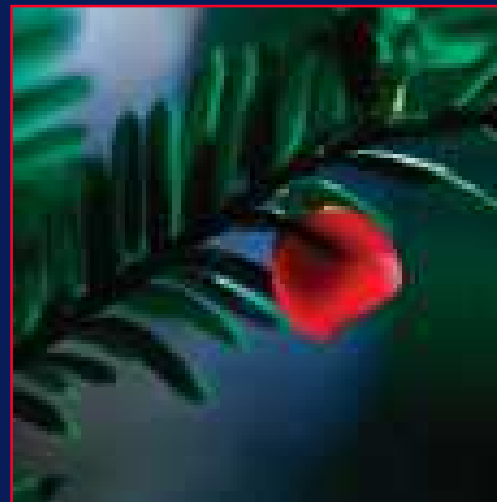
Natural product:
Pacific Yew



Six 100 year old trees / one patient
Ceased harvesting 1993

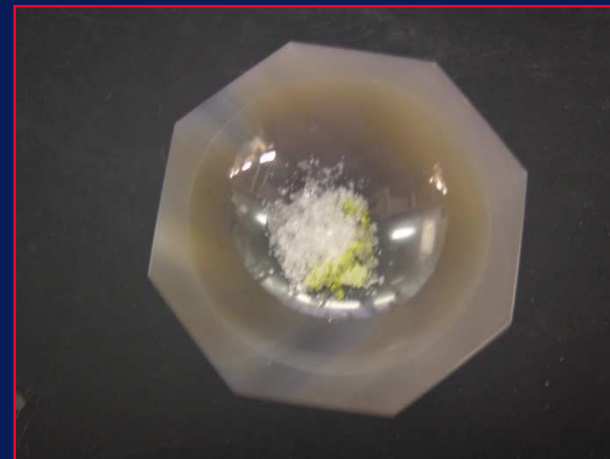
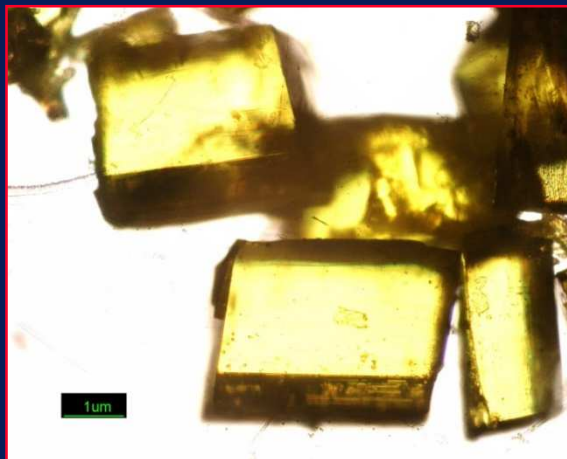
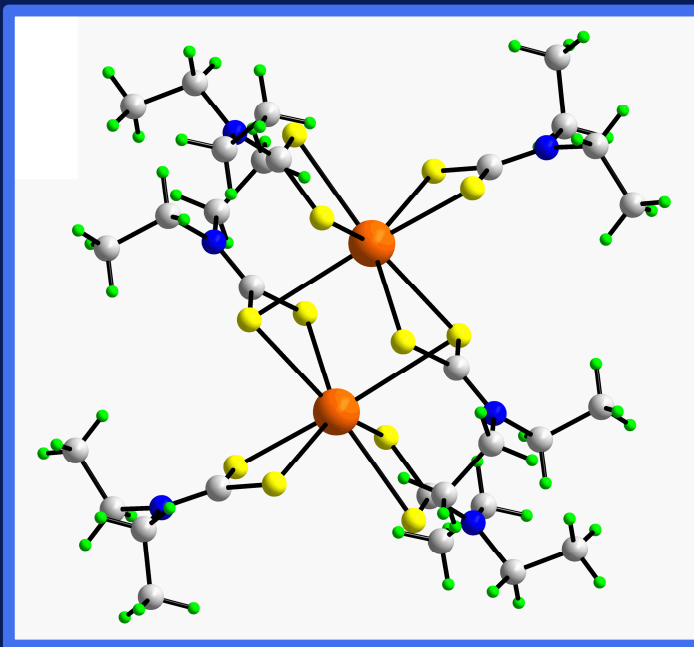
Synthesis of Taxol (Paclitaxel®)

Semi-synthetic route:
taxane from English
yew tree - 35% yield



Multi-step organic synthesis
e.g. Holton synthesis: 40 steps - 2% yield

Preparation of $\{\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_3\}_2$



Structure/activity relationship

Alkyl chain

Me < Et > n Pr > n Bu

Branching

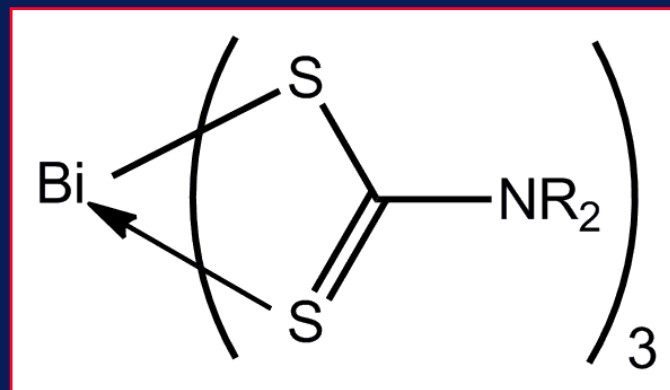
n Pr > i Pr & n Bu > i Bu

Ring

$n = 4 > n = 7$

Aromatic

inactive



Maximum Tolerated Dose - Balb/C mice

Four to five weeks
old

Male and Female

Controls -
20 day max.

via intraperitoneal
injection (i.p.)



Maximum Tolerated Dose - Balb/C mice

$\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_3$: 7 mg Bi / kg

$\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNBu}_2)_3$: > 50 mg Bi / kg

Oral administration

$\text{Bi}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_3$: ~ 50 mg Bi / kg

MTD - Balb/C mice
 - Ovcar: Ovarian cancer

MTD = 7 mg Bi / kg

ID₅₀ = < 3.2 ng Bi / kg

"Therapeutic index"
 = > 2.2 × 10⁶

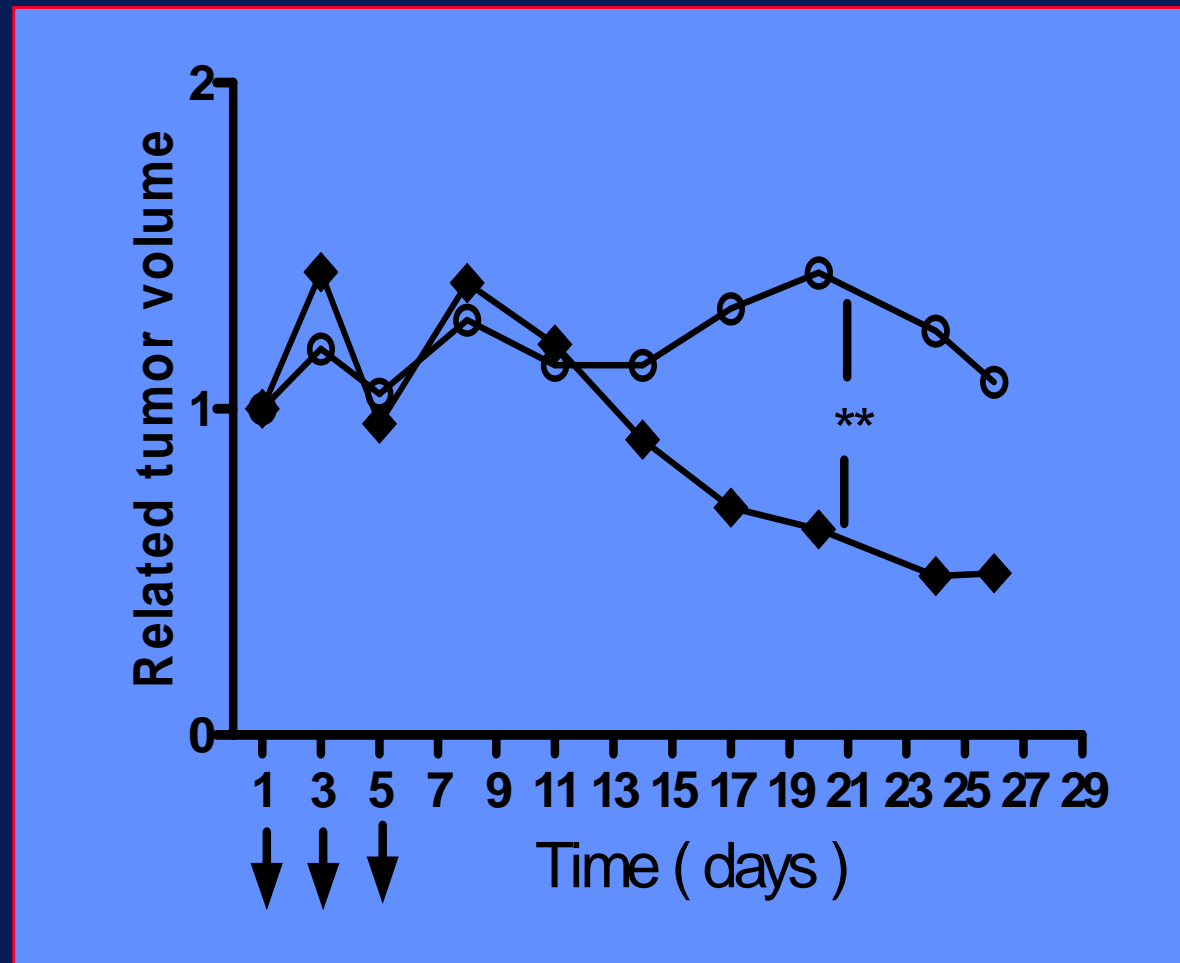
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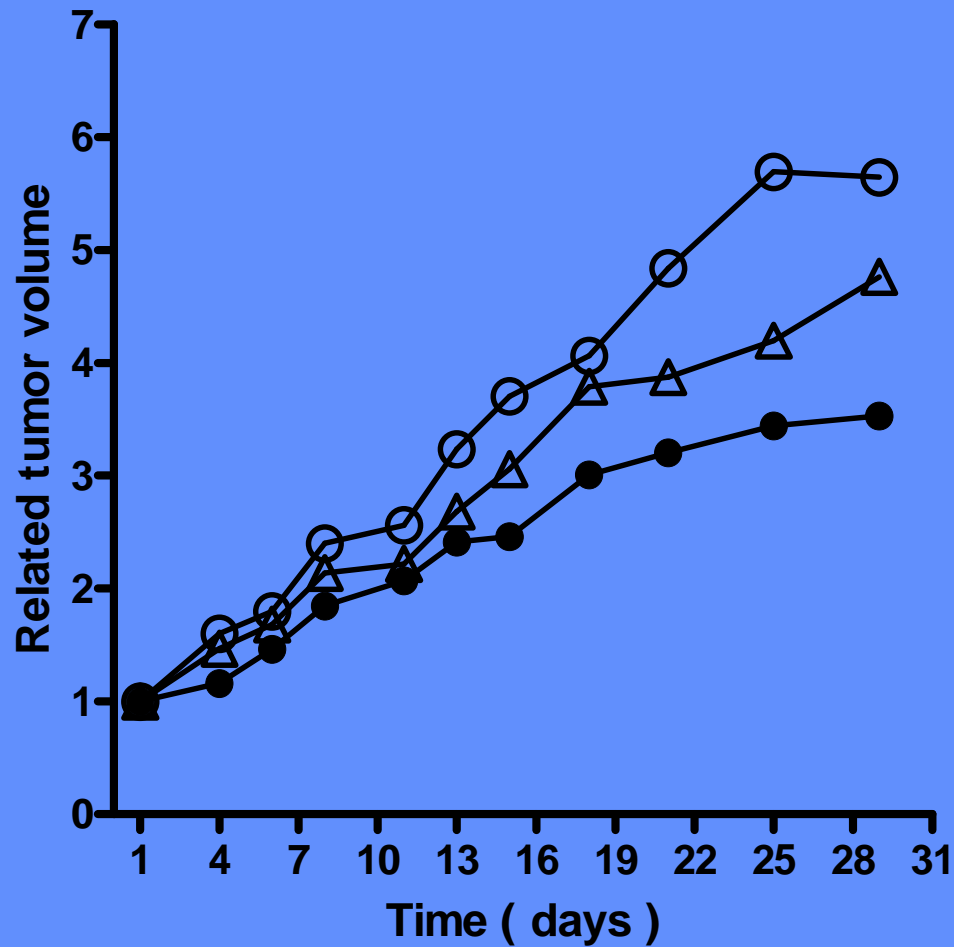


Anti-tumour activity: OVCAR



TWI: 54%
(day 26)

Anti-tumour activity: HT-29



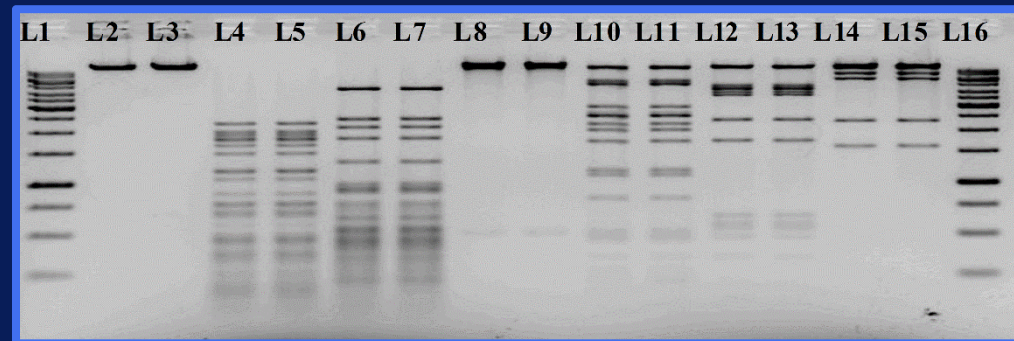
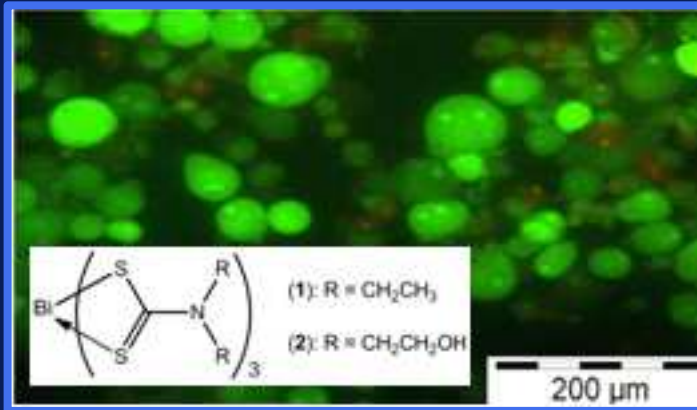
control

single-dose

multi-dose

(1.4 mg/kg Bi/dose)

HepG2 cell death: apoptosis



Membrane permeability, DNA fragmentation,
caspase activities and PCR-array analysis indicate
extrinsic and intrinsic pathways

Table 2
Apoptosis gene expression level in HepG2 cell lines after treatment with 1 and 2 compared to untreated cells.^a

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ABL1	58.13	253.96
AKT1	72.06	241.94
APAF1	33.17	12.62
BAD	34.56	49.81
BAG1	-11.62	4.51
BAG3	-54.99	172.26
BAG4	-14.13	236.96
BAK1	64.50	164.11
BAX	4.59	14.04
BCL10	11.04	26.51
BCL2	-16.63	-6.33
BCL2A1	9.59	18.75
BCL2L1	-5.70	61.33
BCL2L11	8.41	1.01
BCL2L12	3.08	8.16
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BCLAF1	93.78	393.03
BEAR	1.55	2.88

TP53
TP53BP2
TP73

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CD70	2.93	3.29
TNRSF8	7.47	5.42
TP53	113.08	90.63
TP53BP2	4.41	22.76
TP73	18.79	8.62
TRADD	35.29	92.31
TRAF2	-1.05	77.11
TRAF3	-3.14	73.46
TRAF4	-11.74	51.98

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receptors of the tumour necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 6

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BRAF	-22.92	-8.18
NOD1	22.03	99.63
CARD6	1.01	1.09
CARD8	3.10	3.50
CASP1	44.67	54.51
CASP10	1.01	4.43
CASP14	1.01	33.32
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FAS	42.85	131.46
FASLG	6.03	8.39
GADD45A	4.26	2.62
HRK	10.06	18.11
ICFIR	-212.13	-86.91
LTA	9.52	11.22
LTBR	215.45	395.76
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XIAP	-68.65	4.90
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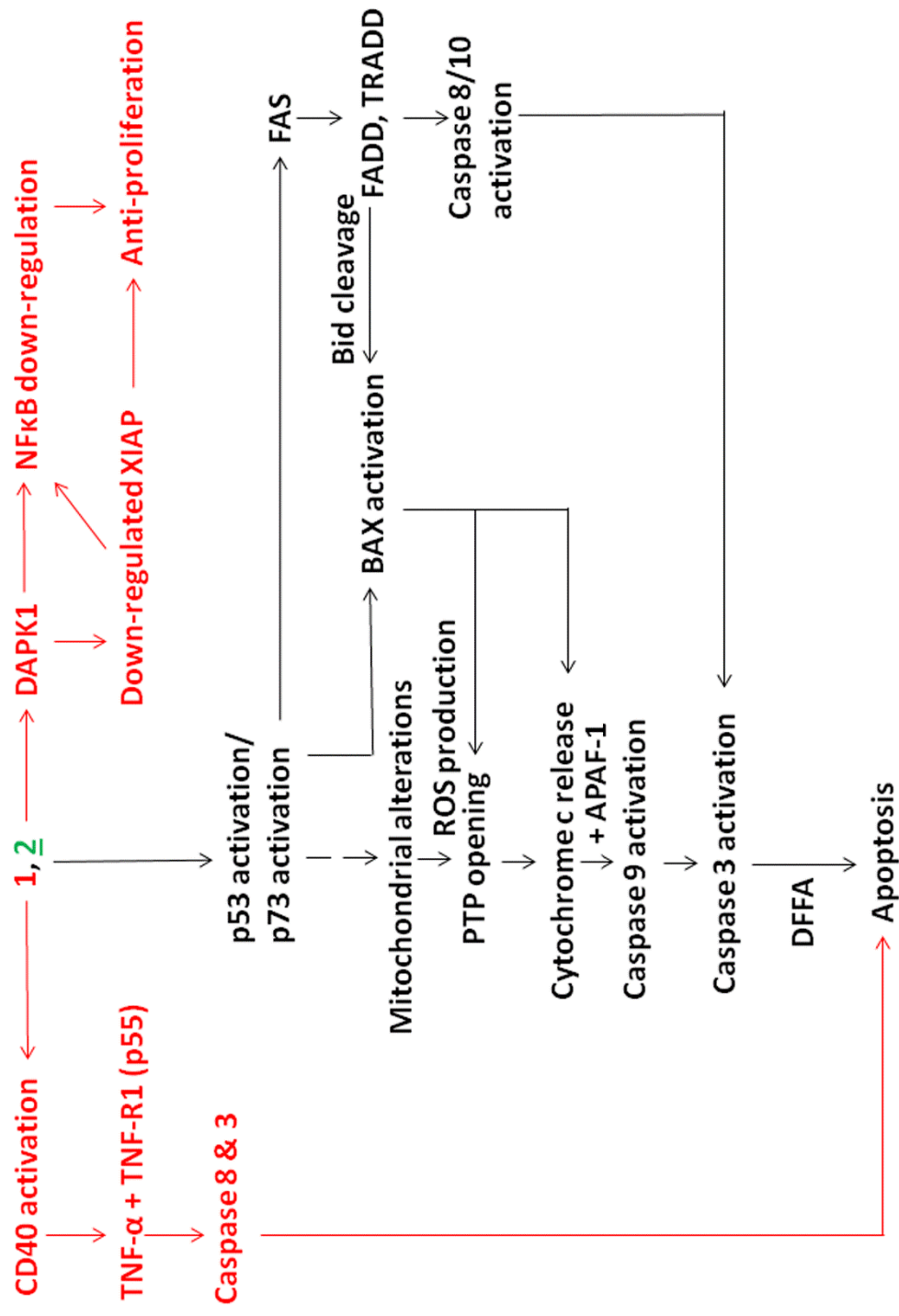
receptors of the tumour necrosis factor receptor superfamily, member 6 (FAS) and the tumour necrosis factor receptor (TNFRSF1A) gene expression. Caspases-8, -10, -9 and -3 were activated subsequently after FAS expression with an increase in their enzymatic activities (Tables 2–4). In general, FAS and TNFR1 recruit Fas-associated protein with death domain (FADD) and procaspase-8 and -10 to the receptor. FADD controls the recruiting of procaspase-8 and -10 leading to its auto-cleavage and activation, and subsequently activates effector caspases in initiating cell death [52,53]. Alternatively, caspase-8 and -10 could cleave the

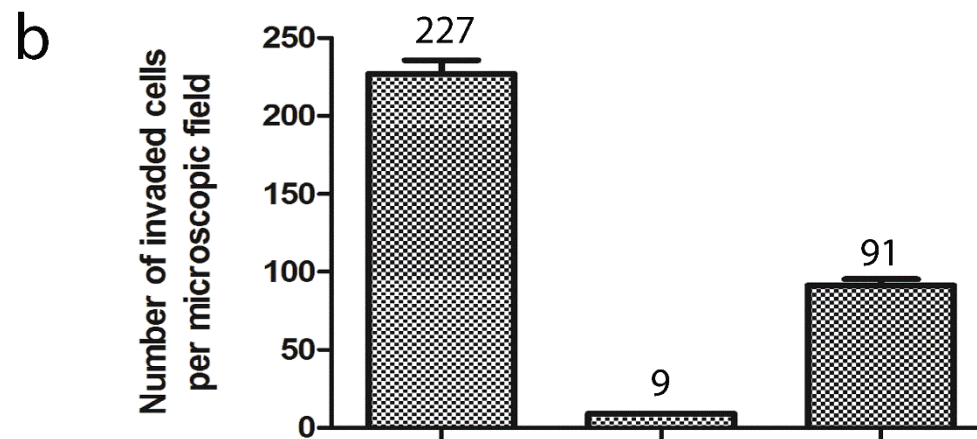
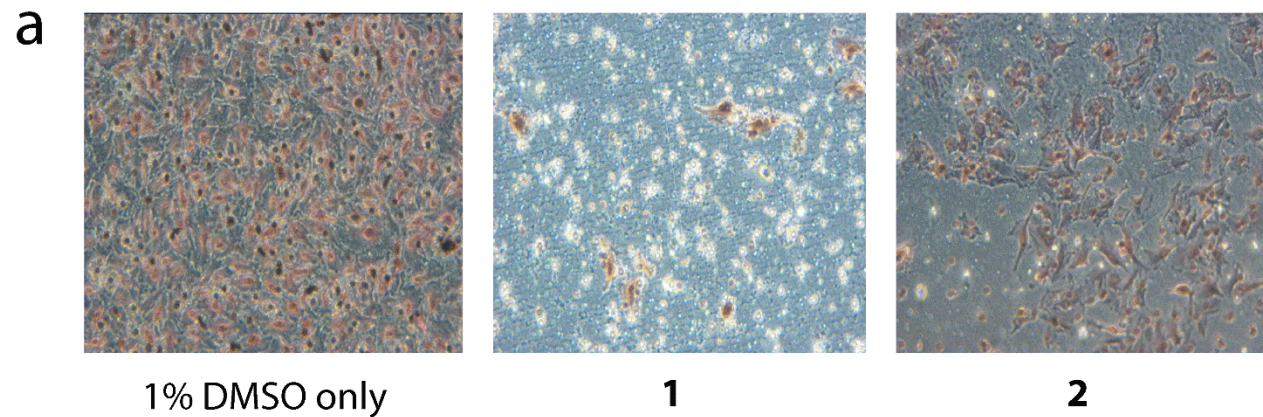
Fig. 2. Fas is a member of the TNFR superfamily and has been identified as a death receptor.

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Cell cycle analysis, ROS, cytochrome C, cell invasion...

Killing *Helicobacter pylori*

MIC_{90} ($\mu\text{g/ml}$)

Average of 16 strains



Et

$\text{N}(\text{CH}_2)_4$

n-Bu

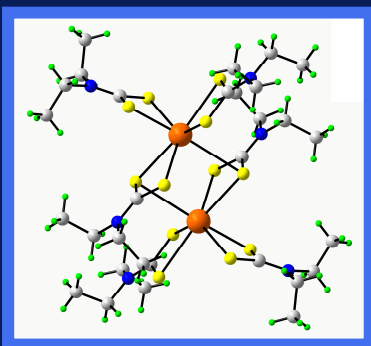
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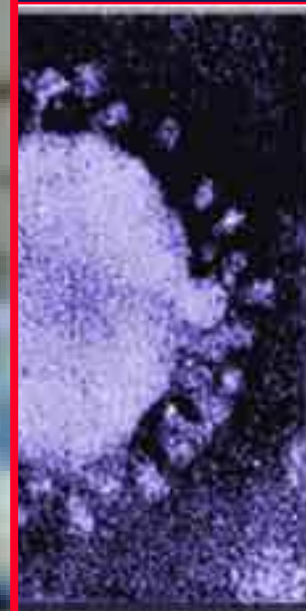
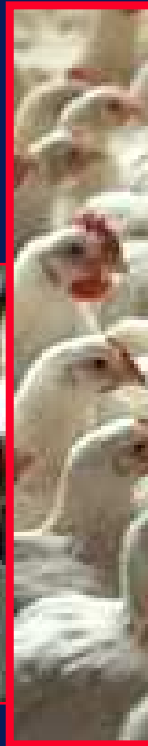
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Avian Flu

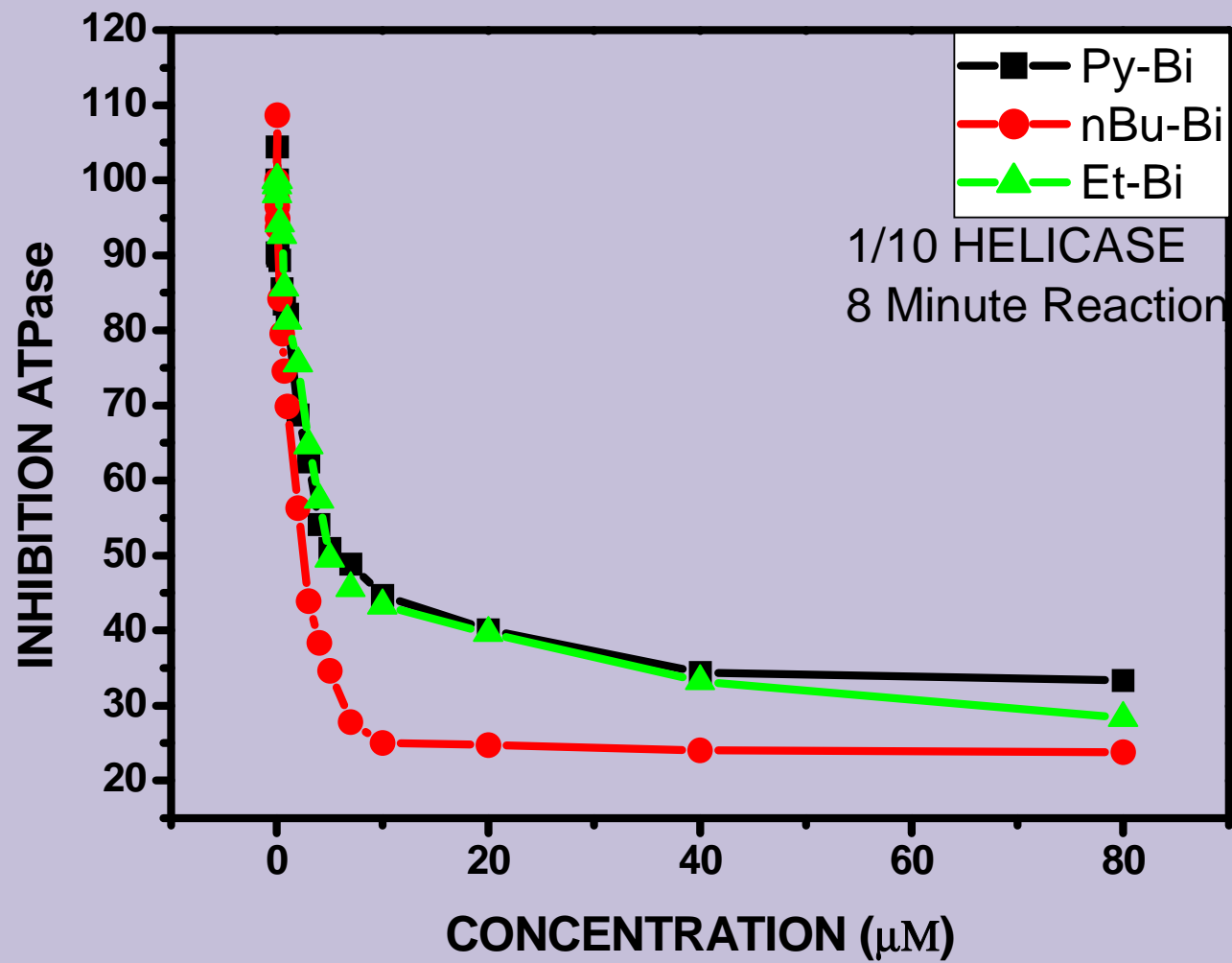
Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome



RNA virus

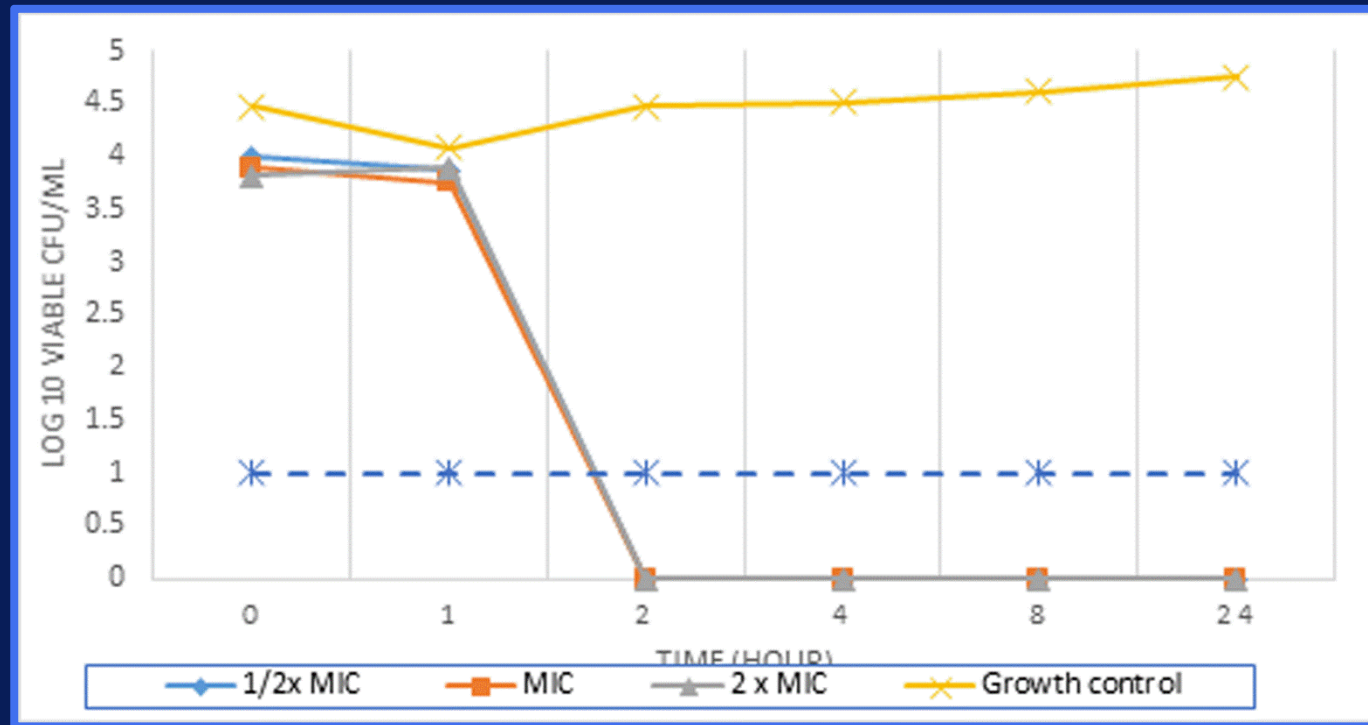
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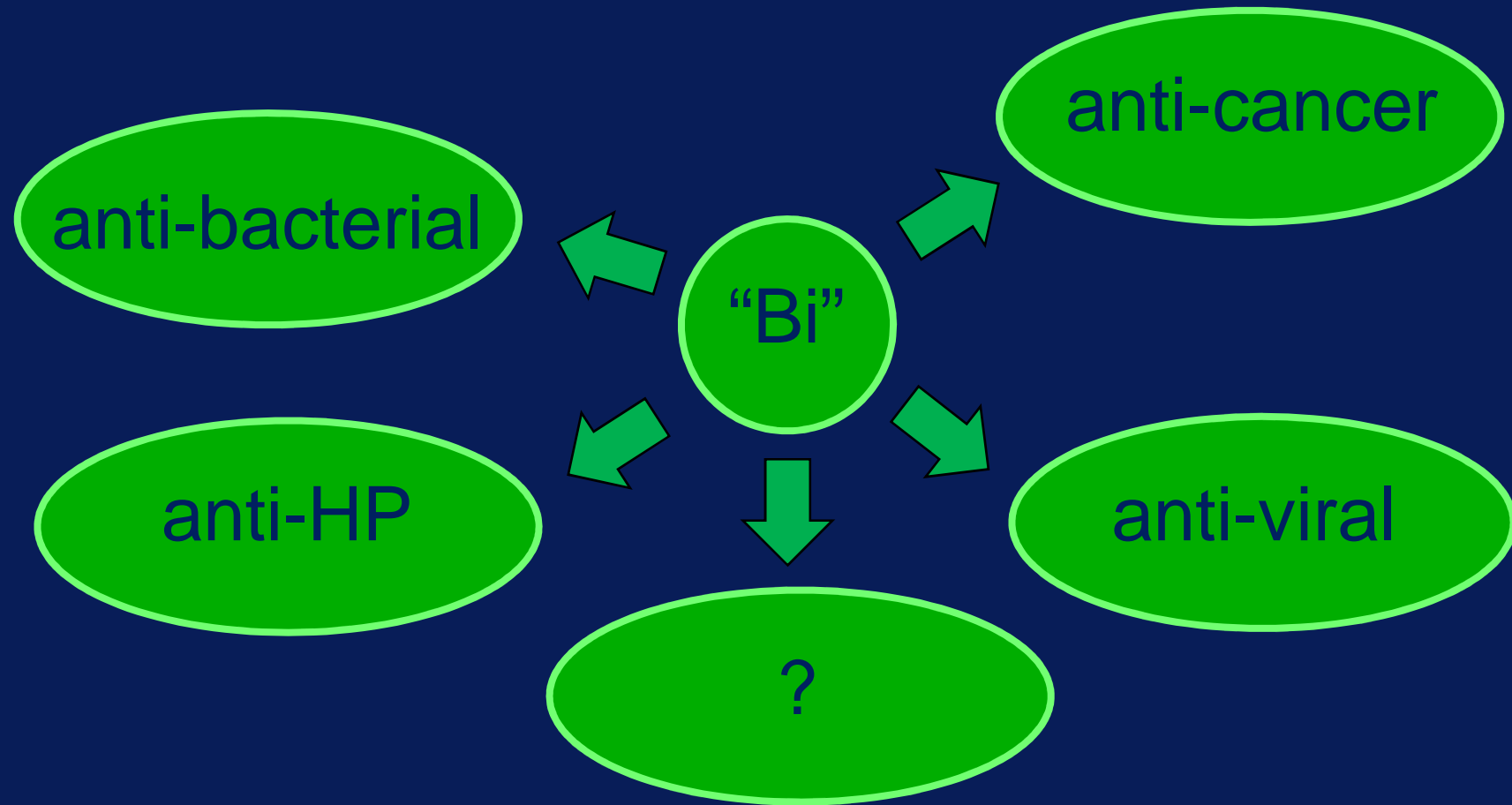
Sun Hongzhe *et al.*

Anti-bacterial activity



Bactericidal against *Streptococcus pneumoniae*

Bismuth-Based Drugs



Exciting potential for medicine with important advances waiting to be made!

Why molecules pack as they do?

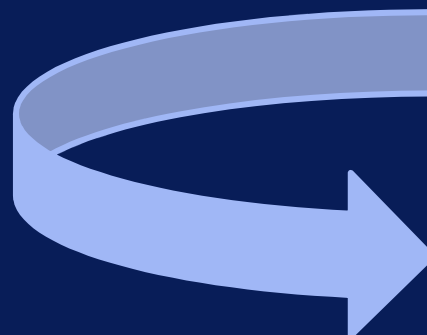
1,1-dithiolates

Secondary bonding

Extended architectures mediated by bipyridyl bridges

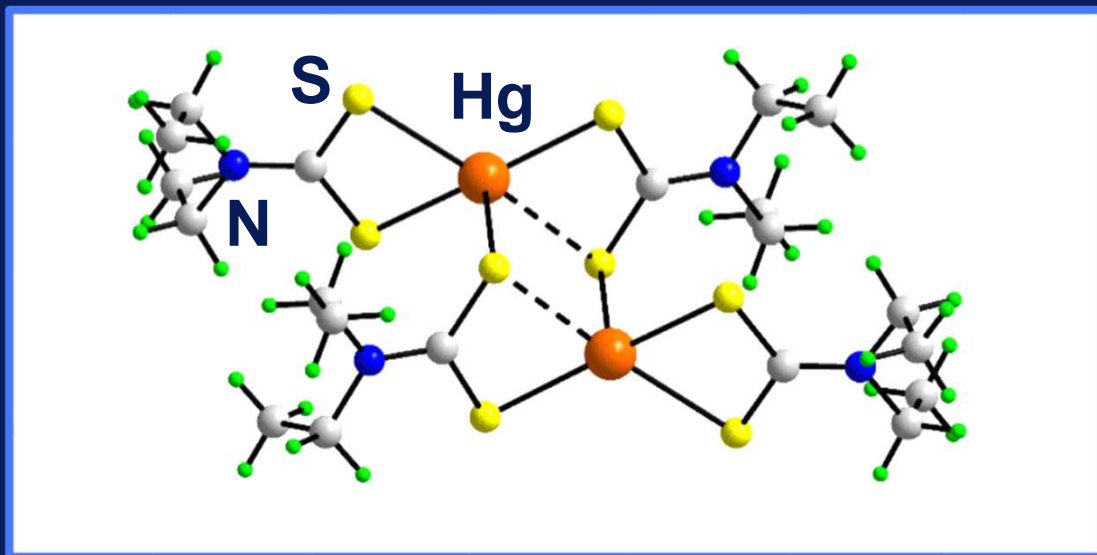
Perplexing results

Intermolecular interactions involving chelate rings

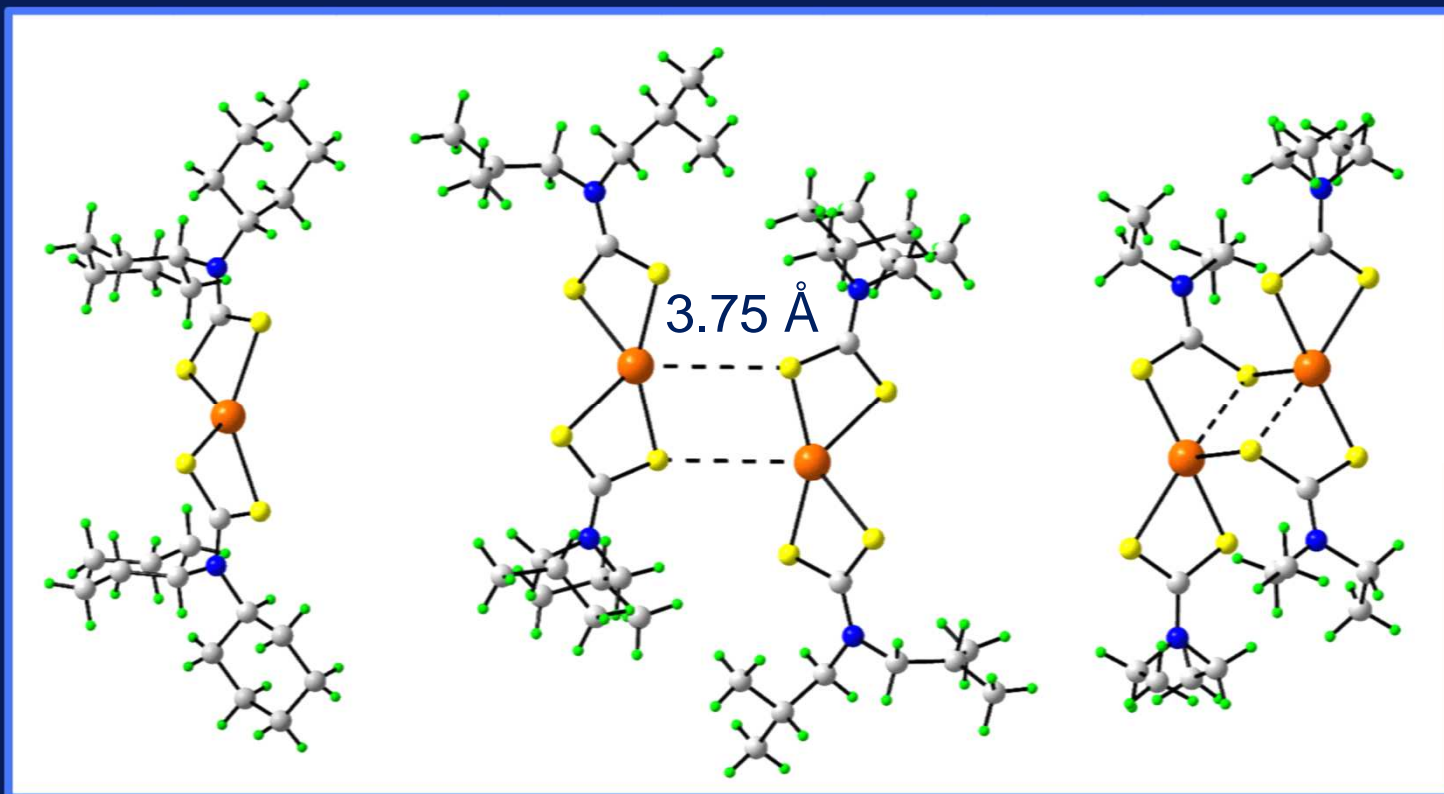


Biological bismuth

Structure of $\text{Hg}(\text{S}_2\text{CNEt}_2)_2$



Steric effects and secondary bonding



Sum of the van der Waals radii for Hg and S = 3.35 \AA

← increasing size of R

Conclusion #1

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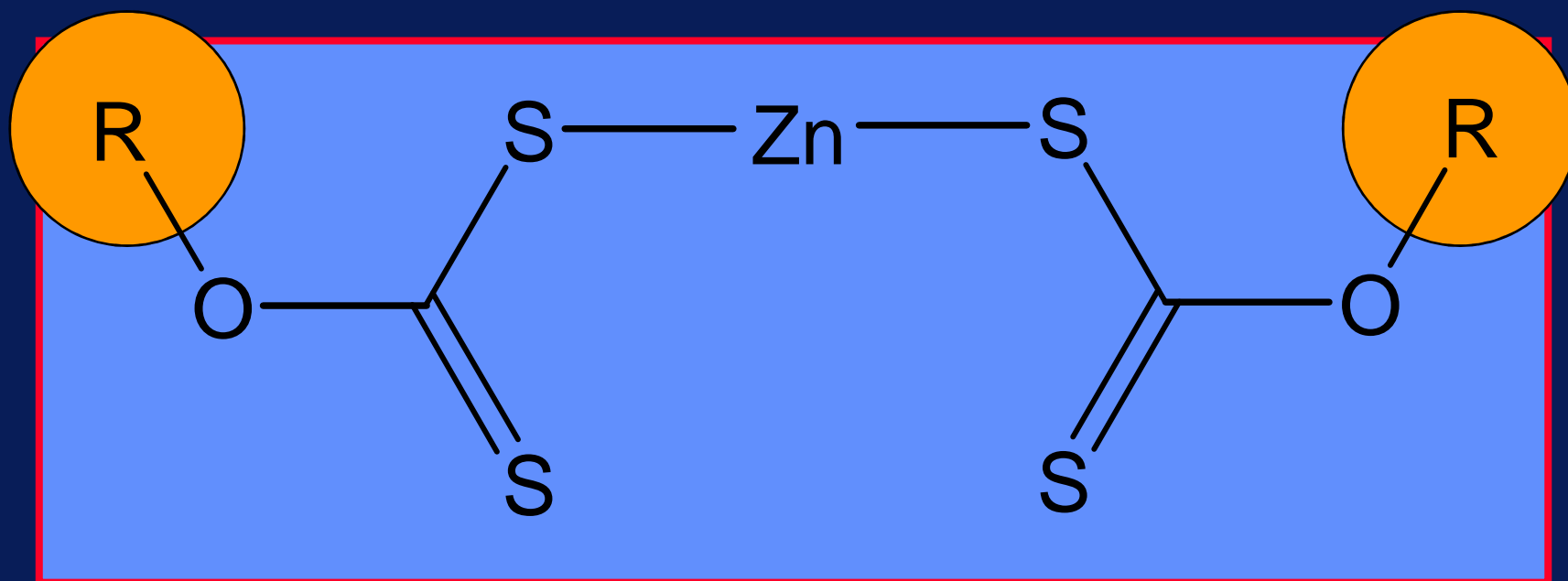
CE's: design crystals (parts of crystals) by controlling intermolecular interactions, *e.g.* hydrogen-bonding, halogen-bonding, secondary bonding, π - π , C-H...O, C-H... π , "emerging" interactions, etc.

Zinc thiolates: tuning supramolecular aggregation

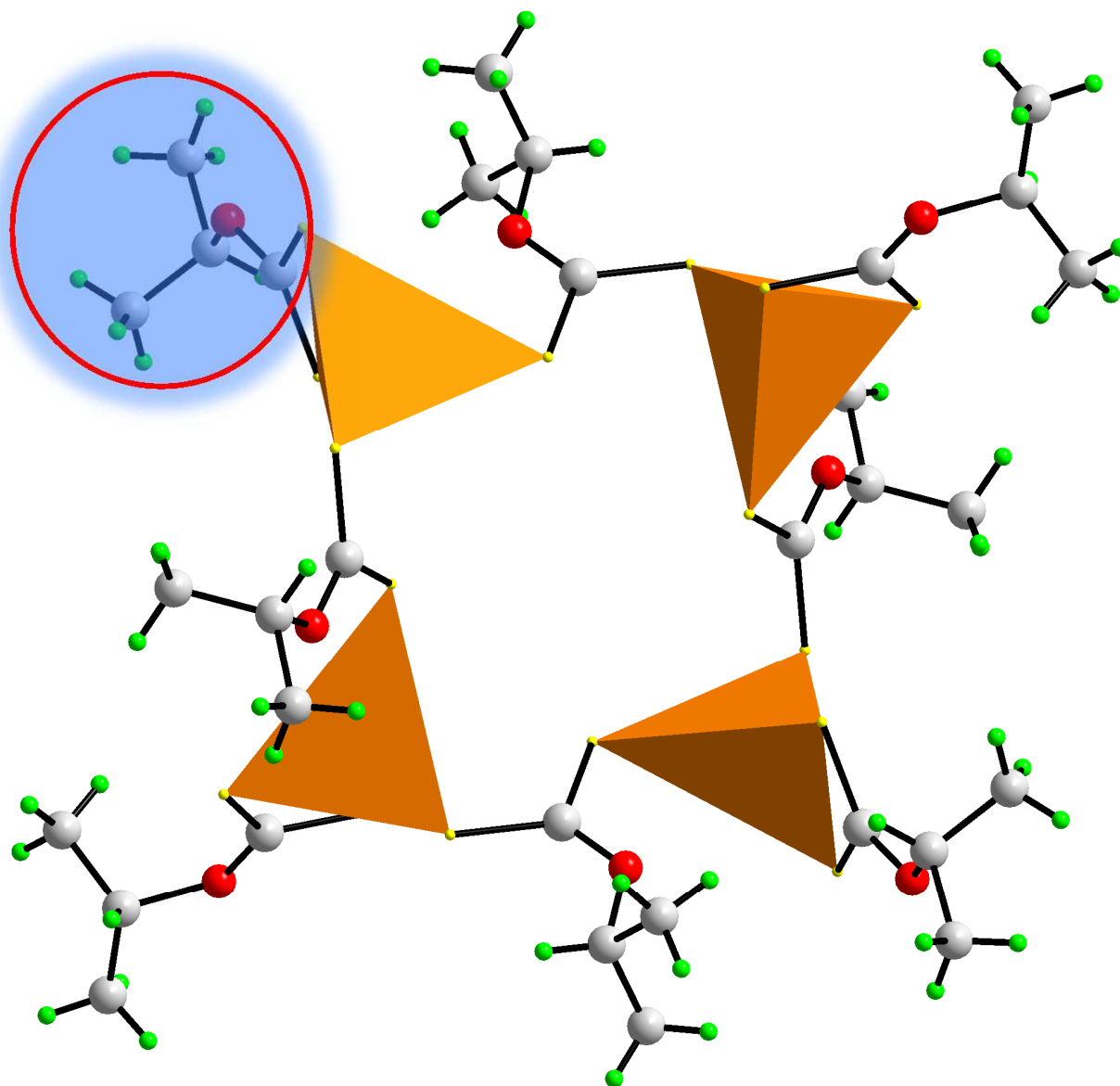
Molecular paving with zinc xanthates

Tailoring luminescence

Structural diversity in $\text{Zn}(\text{S}_2\text{COR})_2$



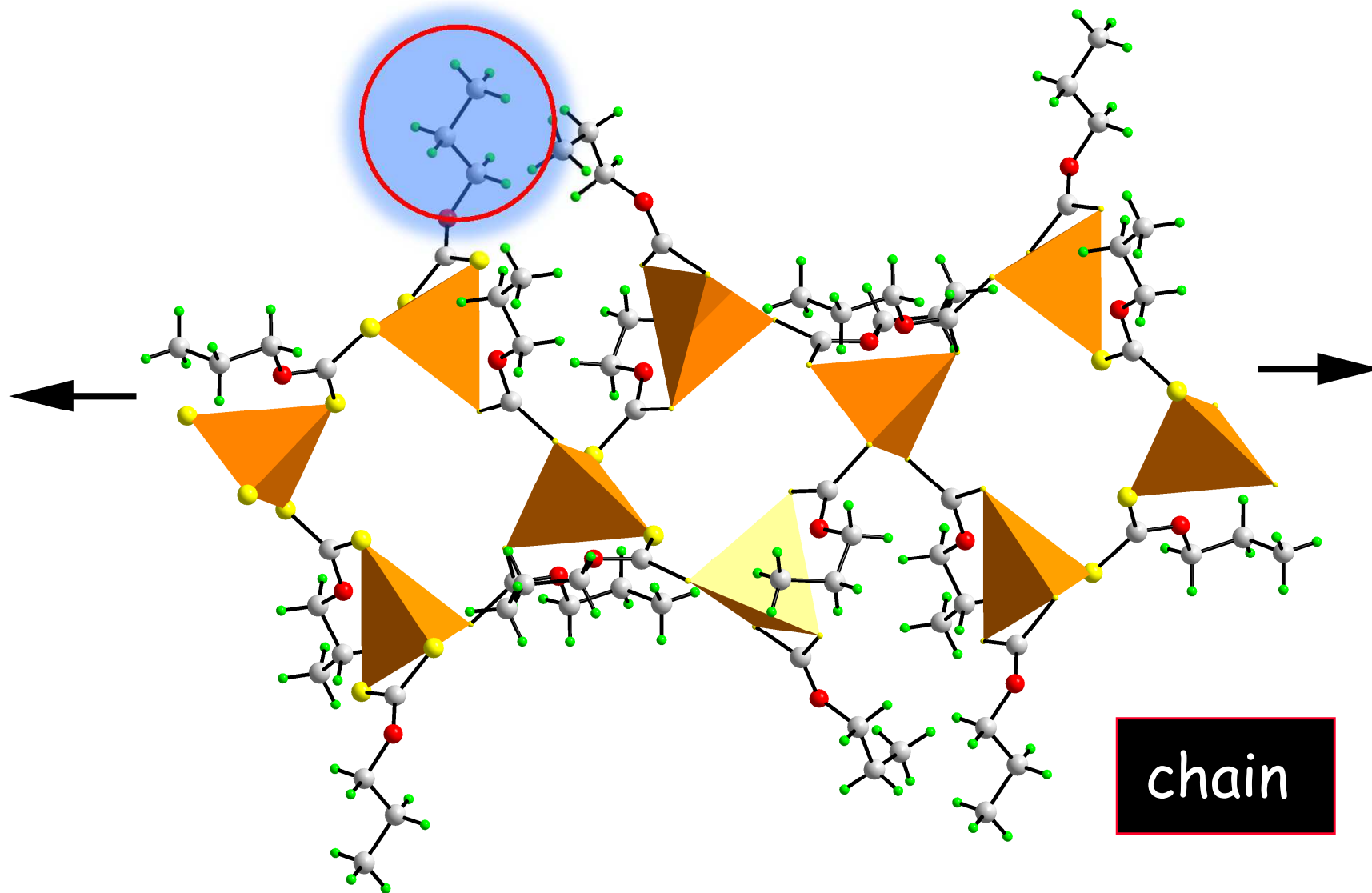
Examine structures for which R = Et, nPr & iPr



$R = iPr$

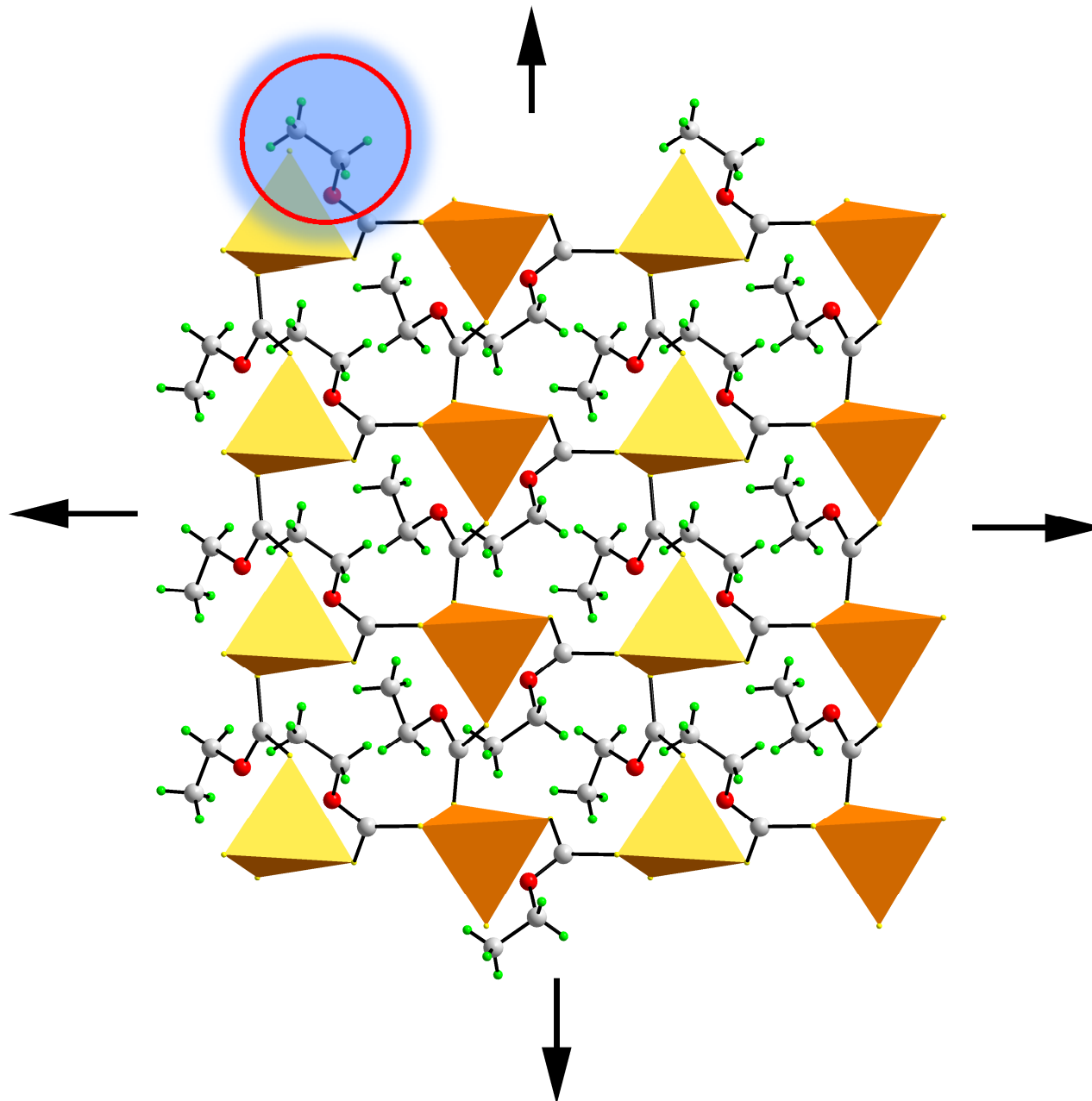
isolated
tetramer

$$R = nPr$$

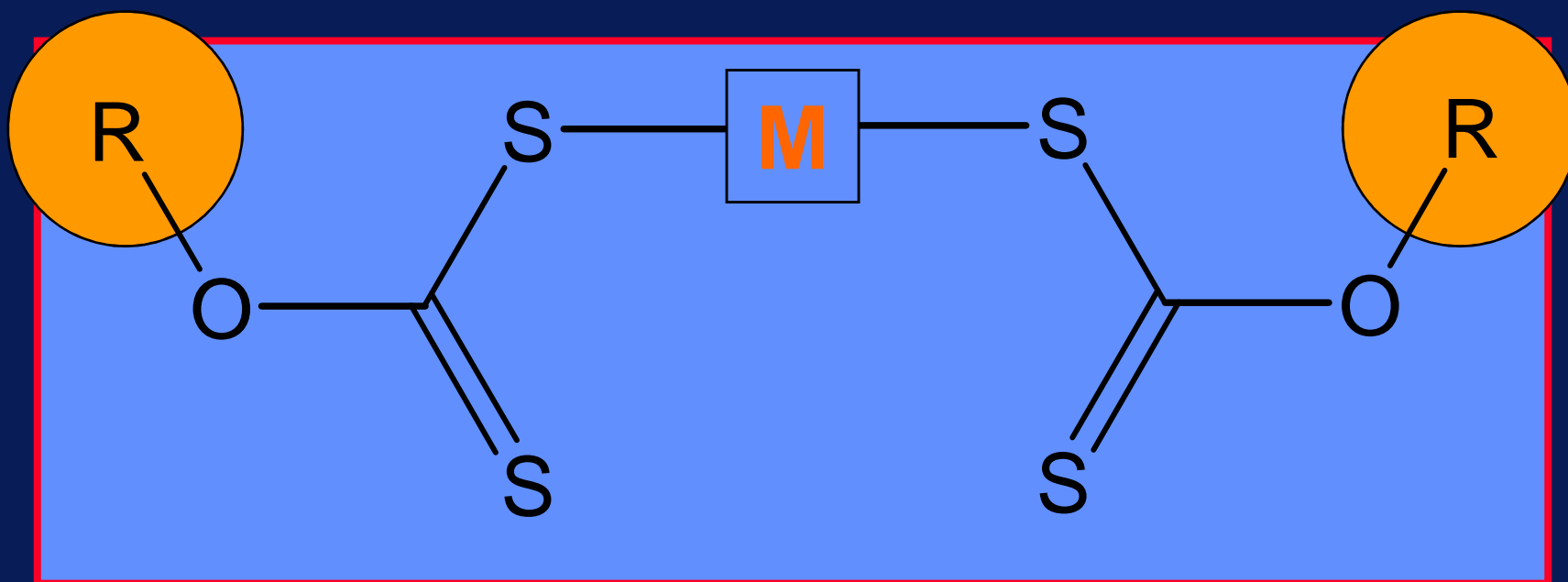


$R = Et$

layer

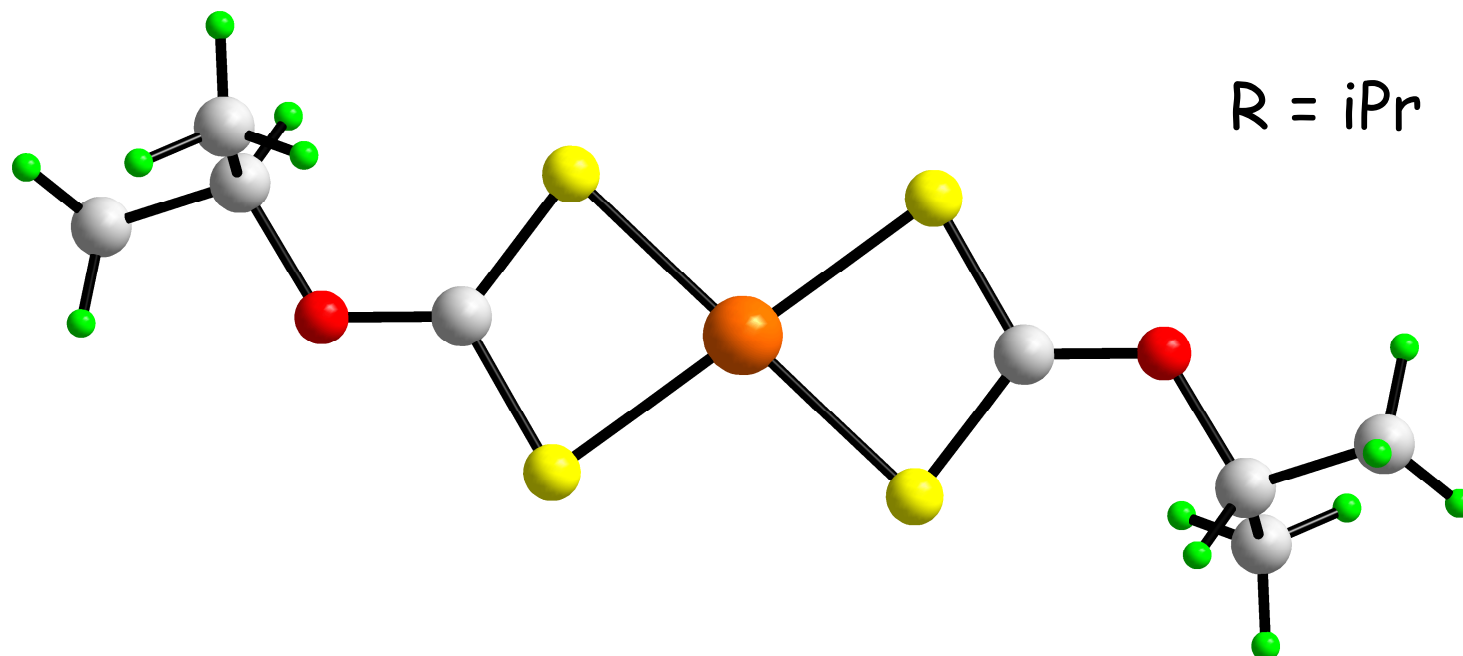
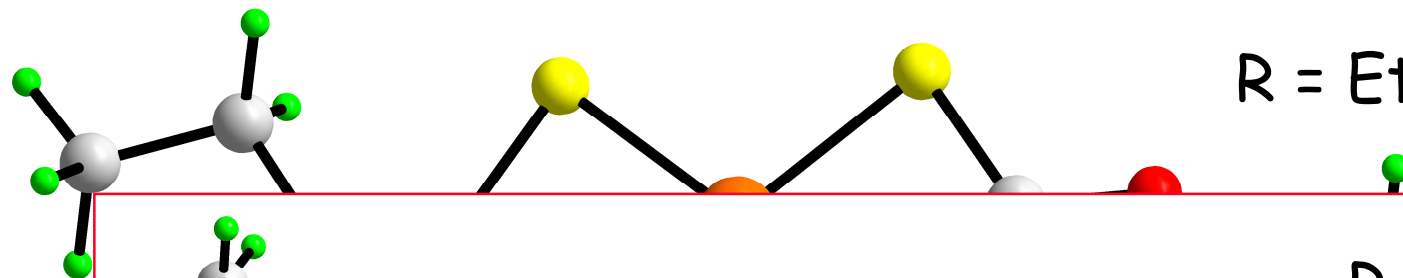


Structural diversity in $M(S_2COR)_2$

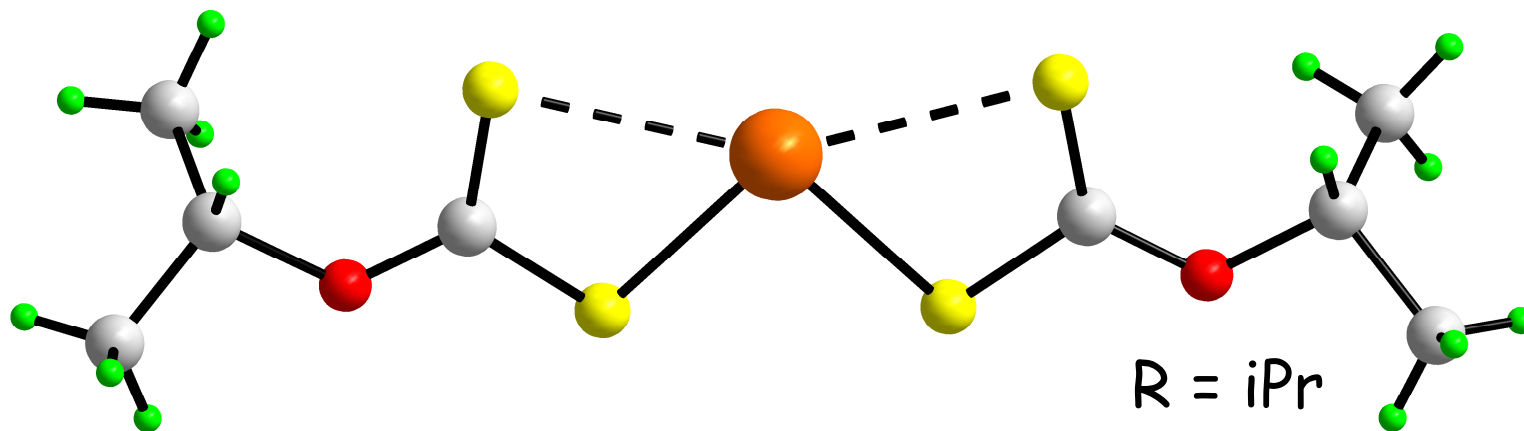
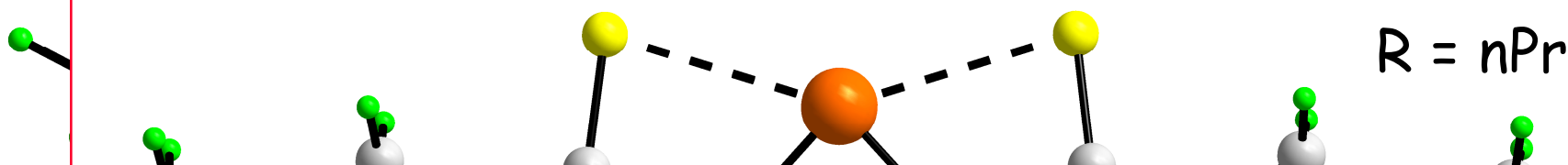
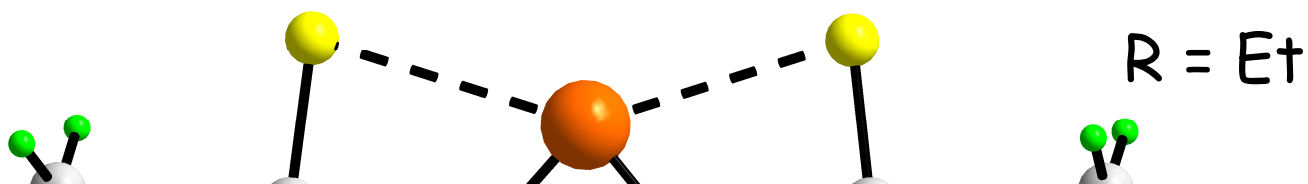


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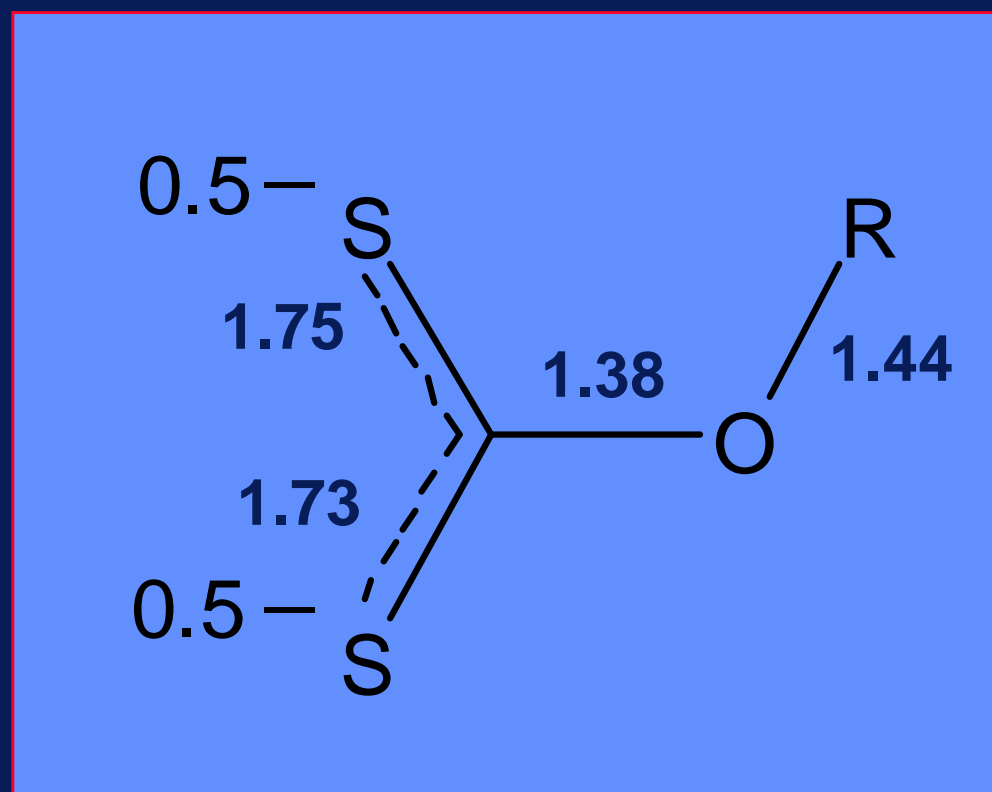
$\text{Ni}(\text{S}_2\text{COR})_2$ for $\text{R} = \text{Et}, \text{nPr} \text{ \& } \text{iPr}$



$\text{Te}(\text{S}_2\text{COR})_2$ for $\text{R} = \text{Et}, \text{nPr} \text{ \& } \text{iPr}$

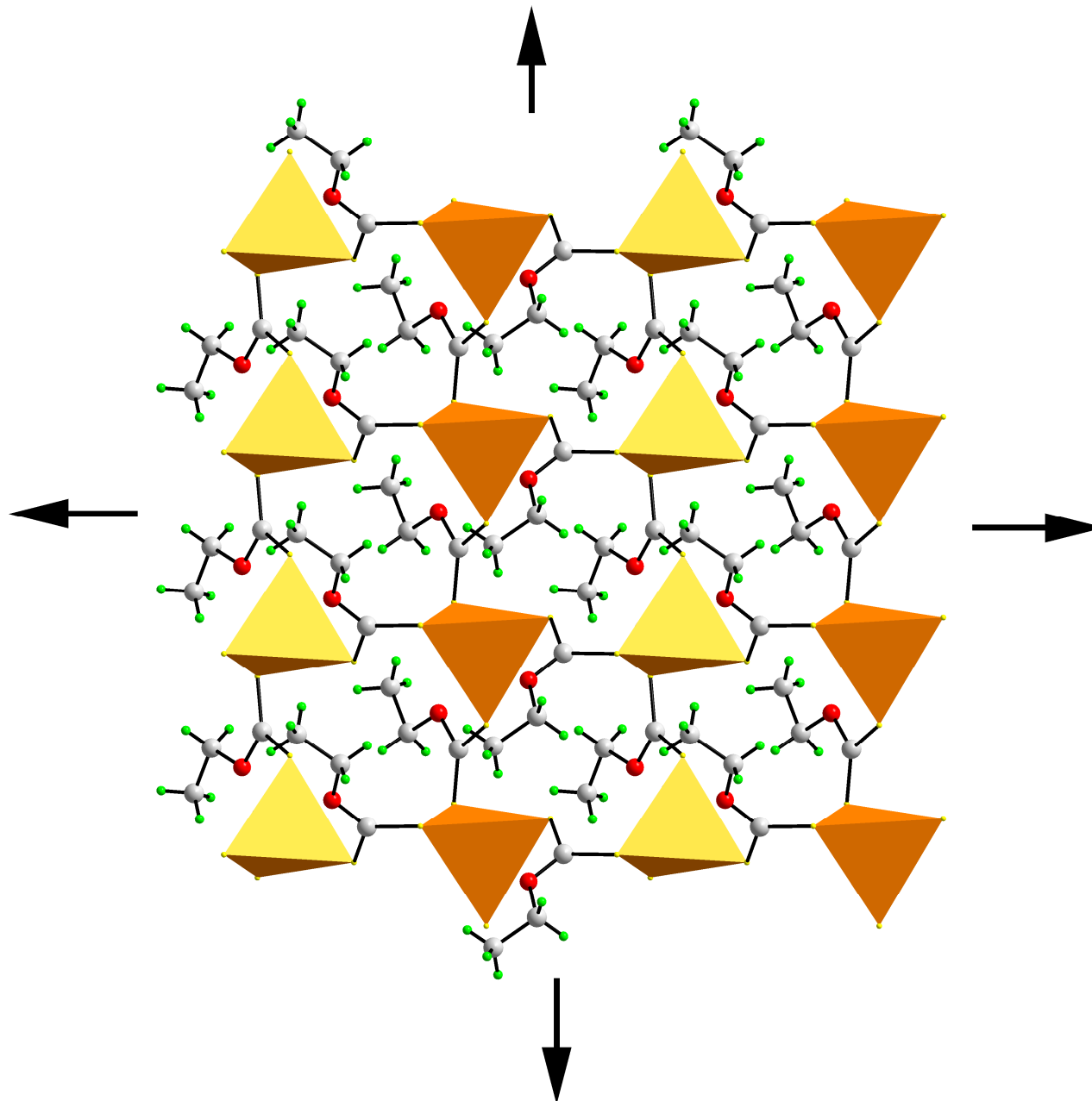


Ab initio molecular orbital calculations on $^{-}S_2COR$

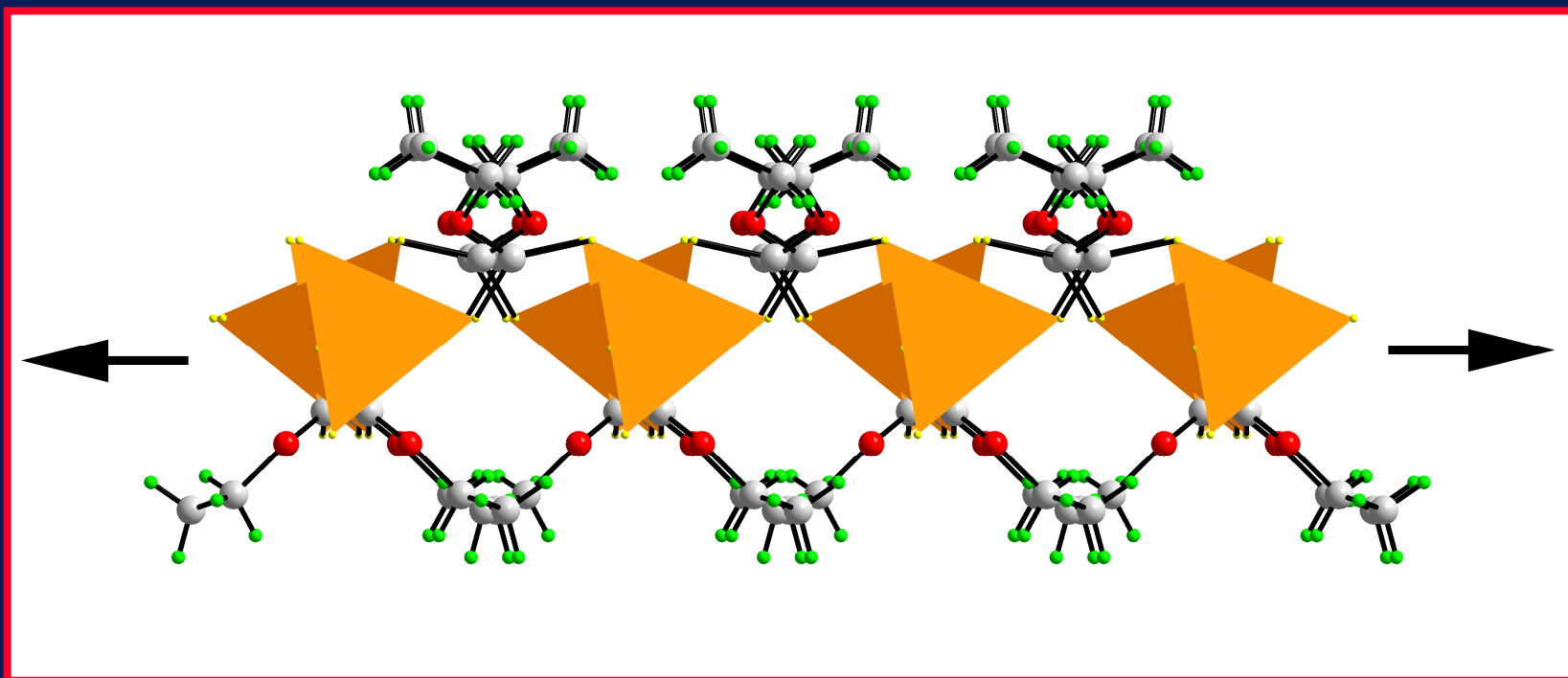


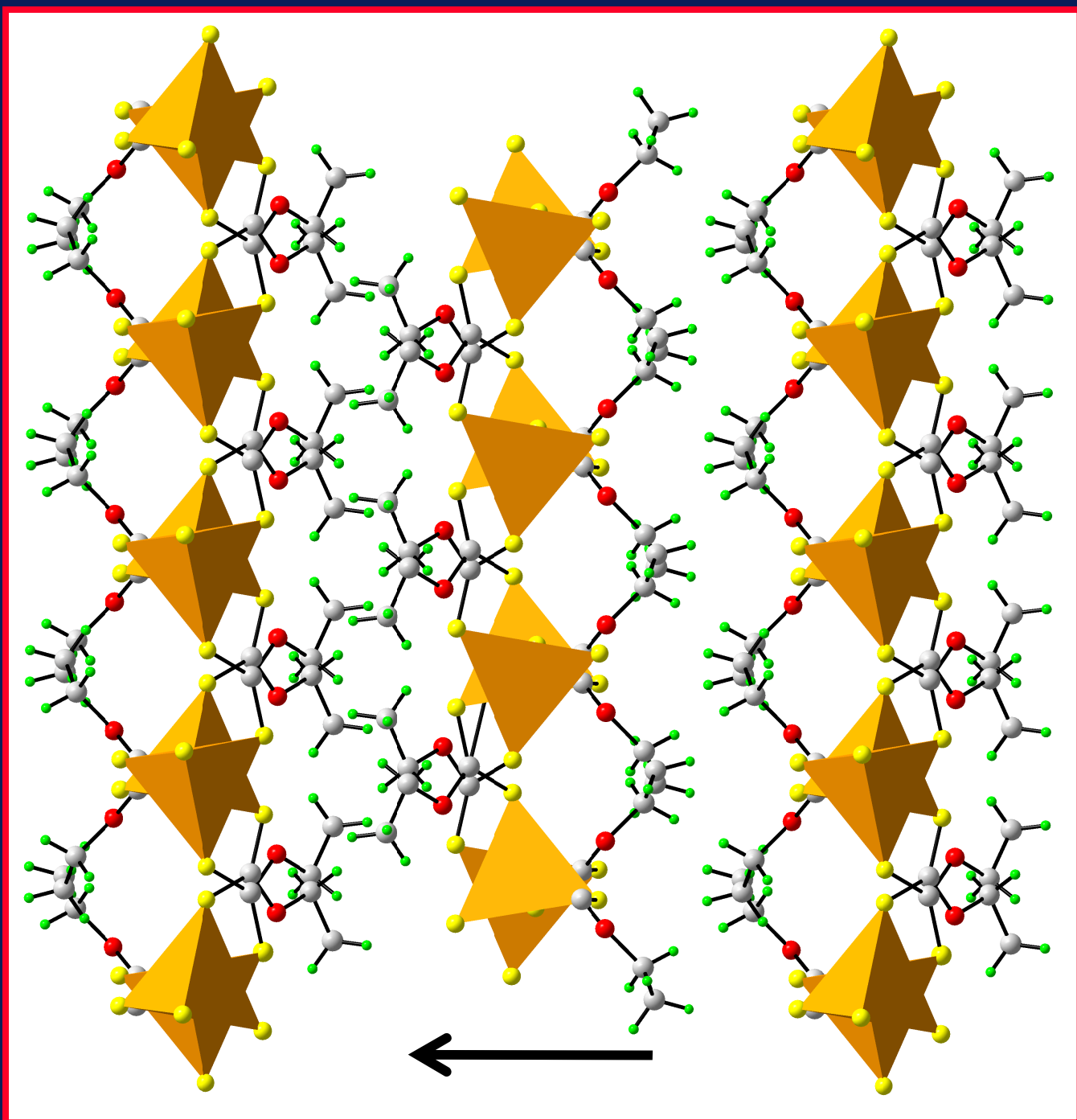
$R = Et$

layer

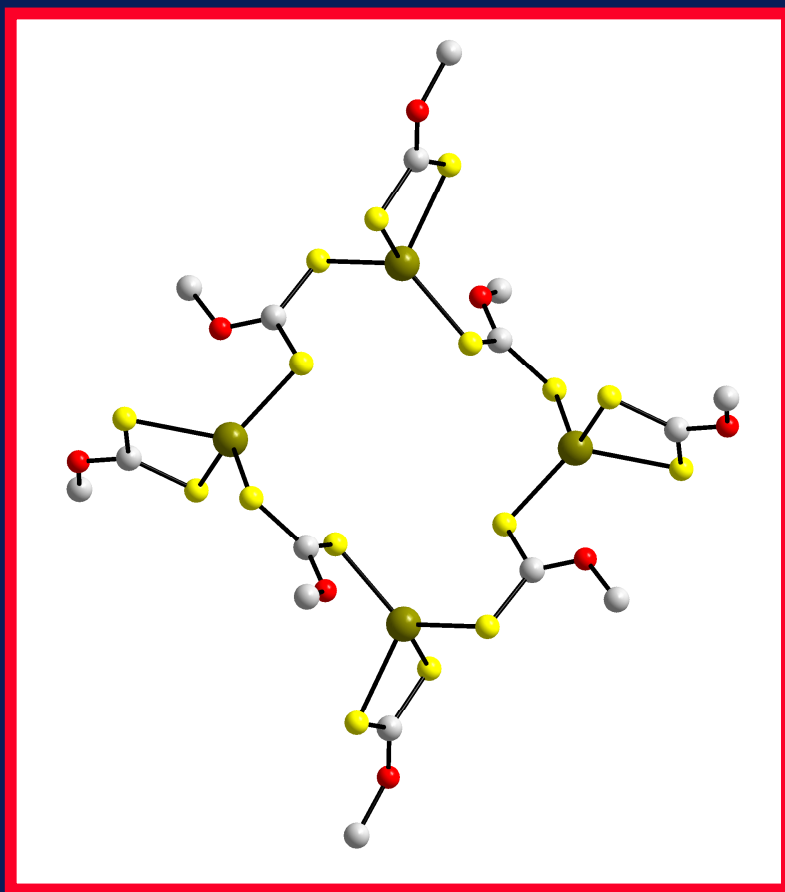


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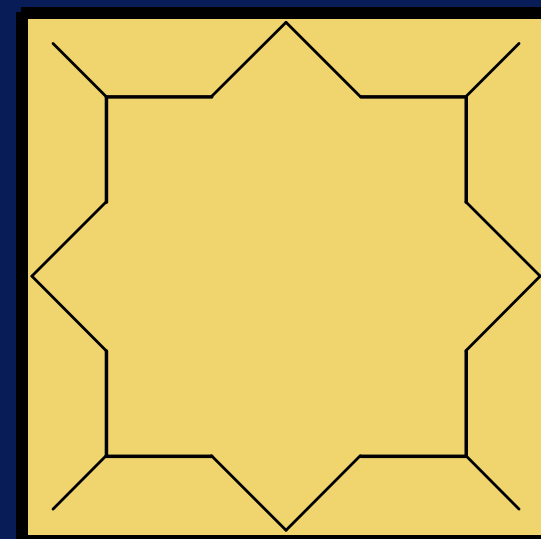




Molecular paving with $\text{Zn}(\text{S}_2\text{COR})_2$

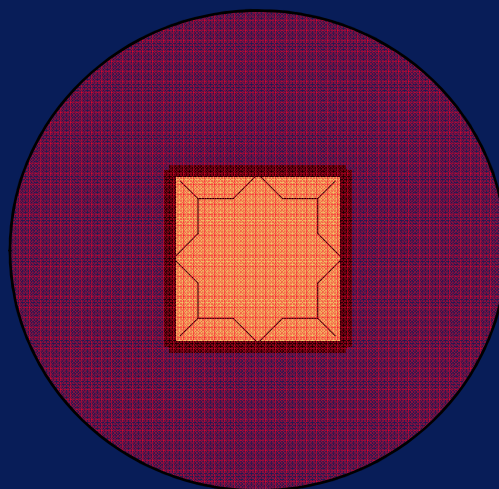


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'Molecular
Paving stone'

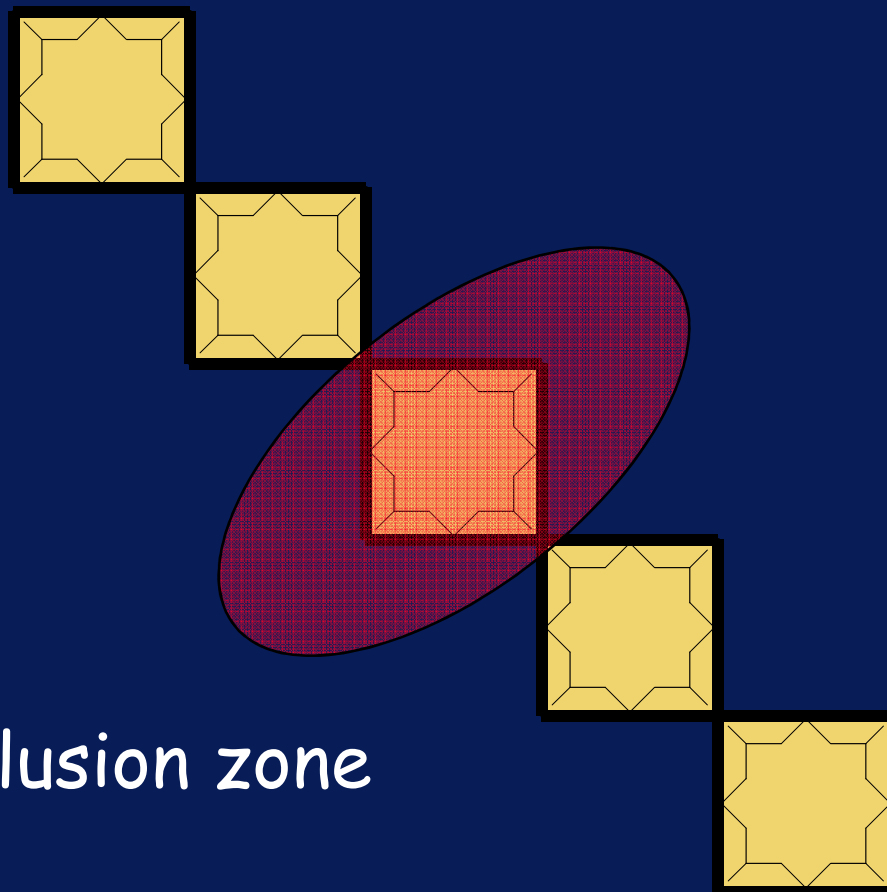
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R =
i-Pr

3-D exclusion zone

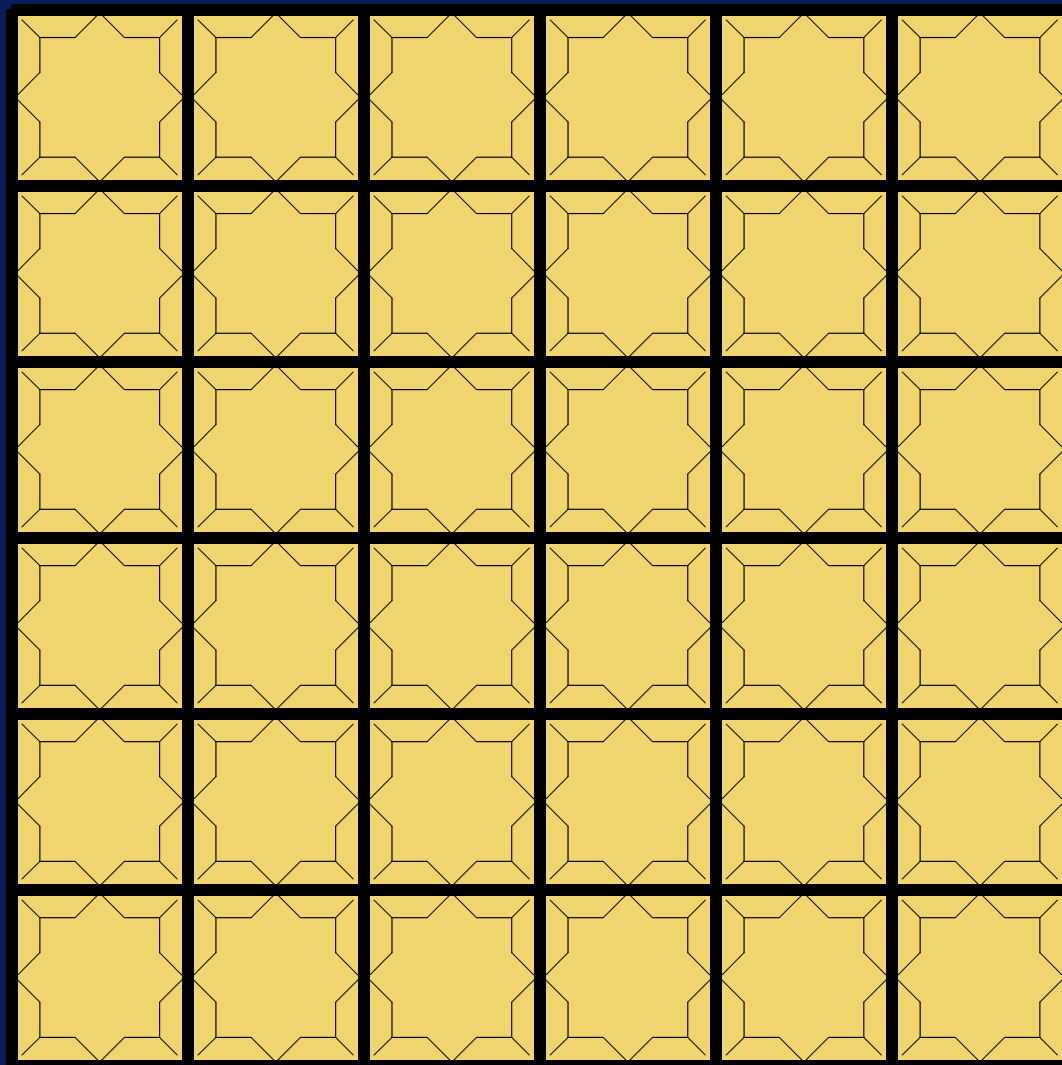
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2-D exclusion zone

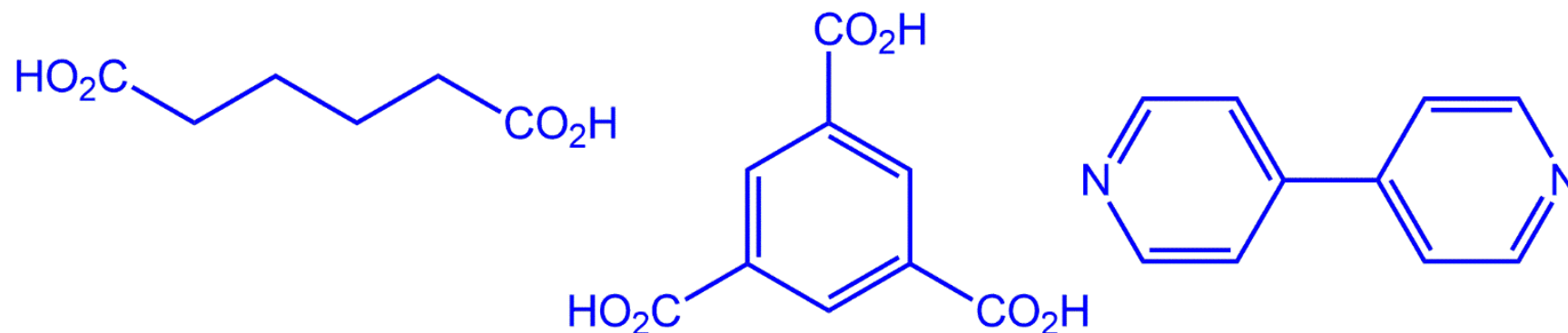
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$\text{R} =$
 Et

Metal-organic frameworks & coordination polymers

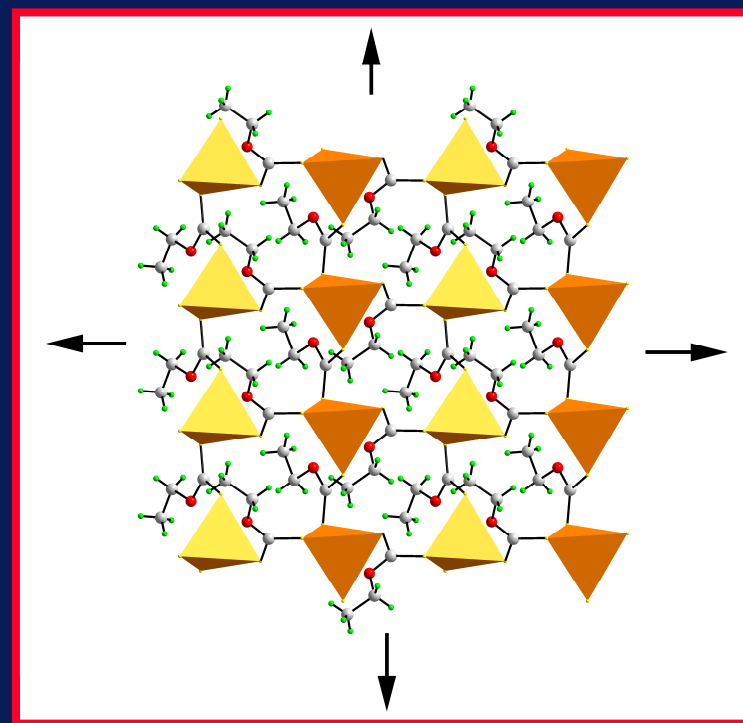
Applications: gas storage/sensing; catalysis;
luminescence; energy storage;
crystal sponge...



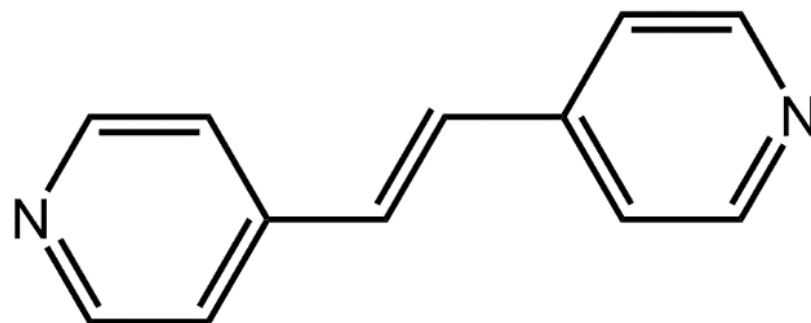
Coordination polymers of zinc-triad elements

Solid-state polymers cf. solution

$A(S_2COR)_2$ + bridging ligands

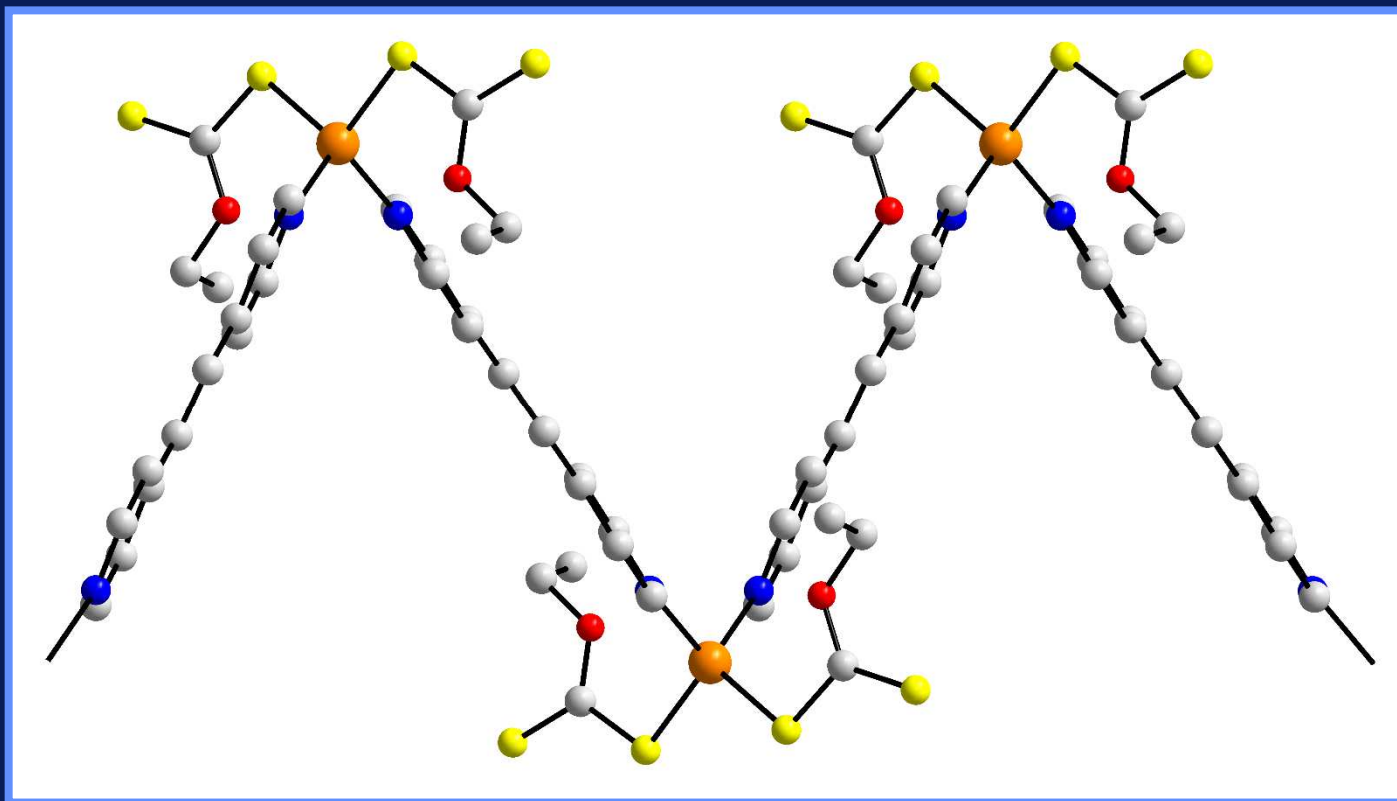


$\text{Zinc(1,1-dithiolate)}_2 + \text{bpe}$



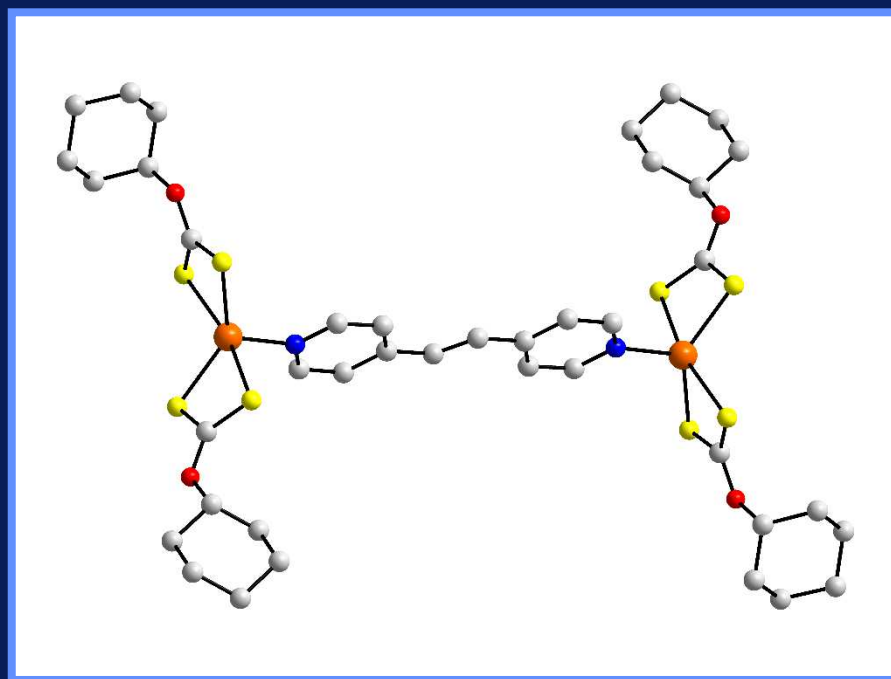
trans-1,2-bis(4-pyridyl)ethylene (bpe)

Zinc(xanthate)₂ + bpe



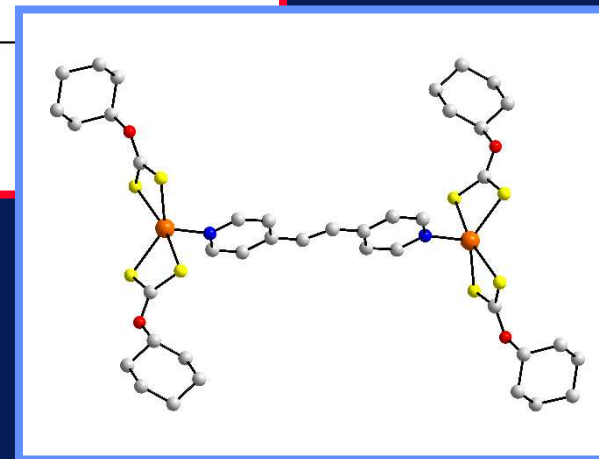
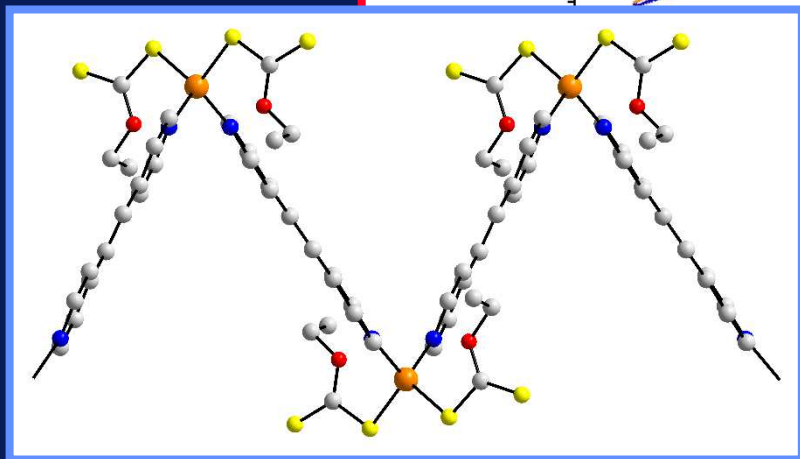
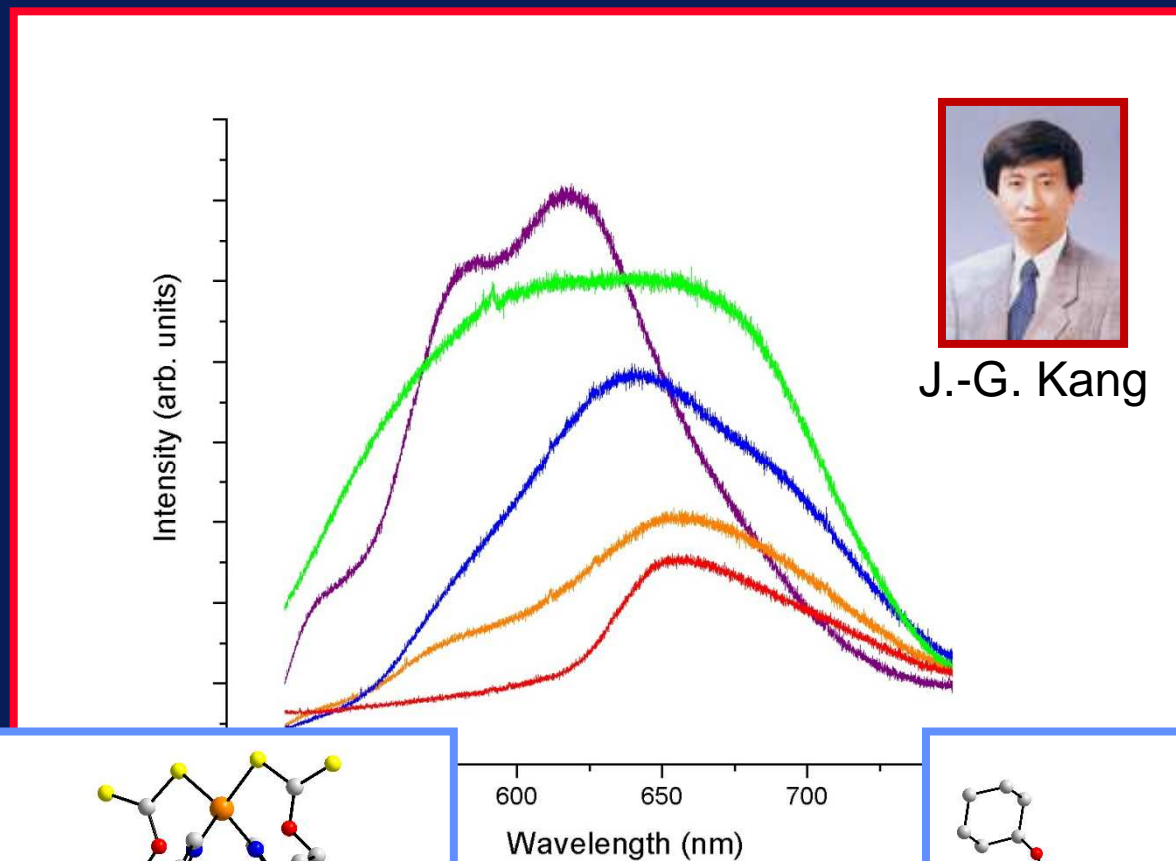
R = Et

Zinc(xanthate)₂ + bpe



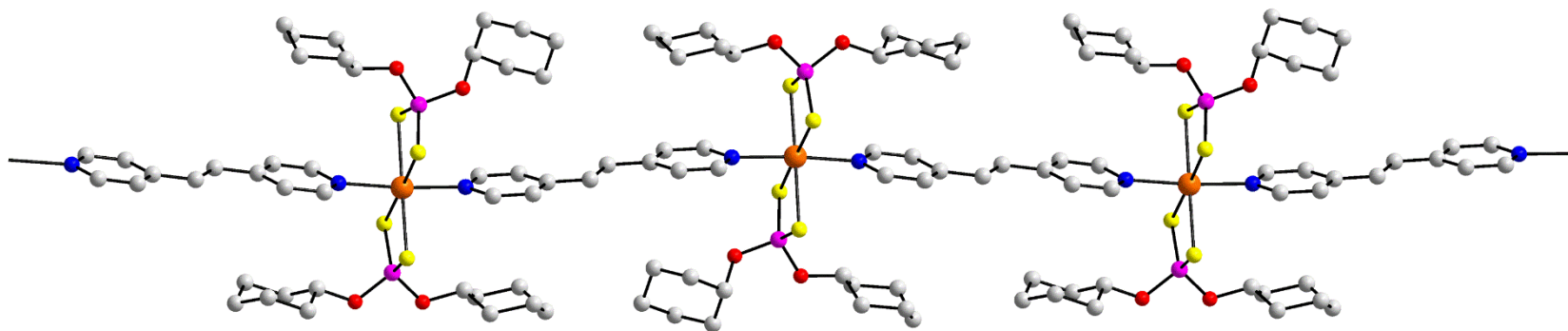
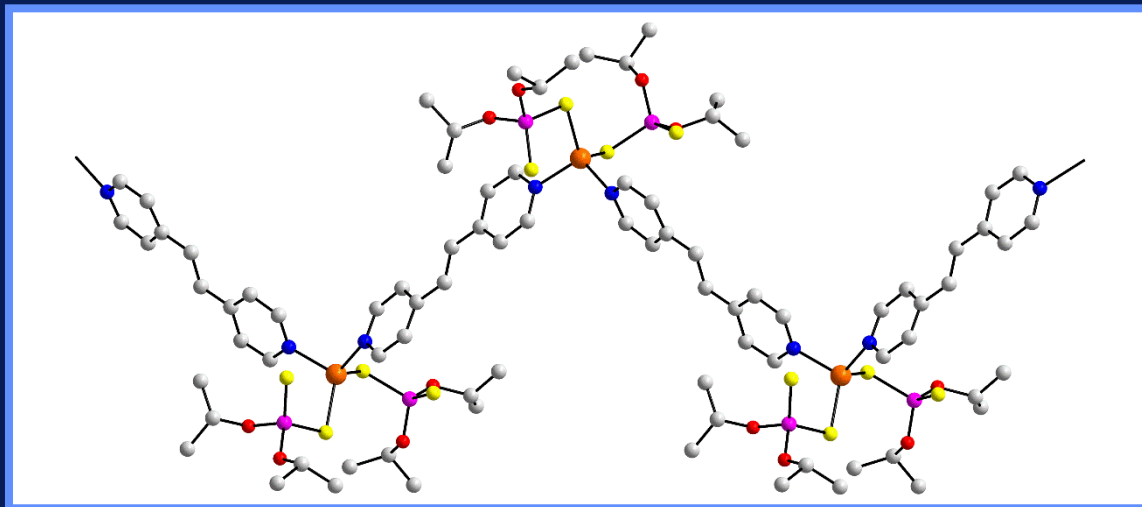
R = Cy

Implications for solid-state luminescence



Zinc(dithiophosphate)₂ + bpe

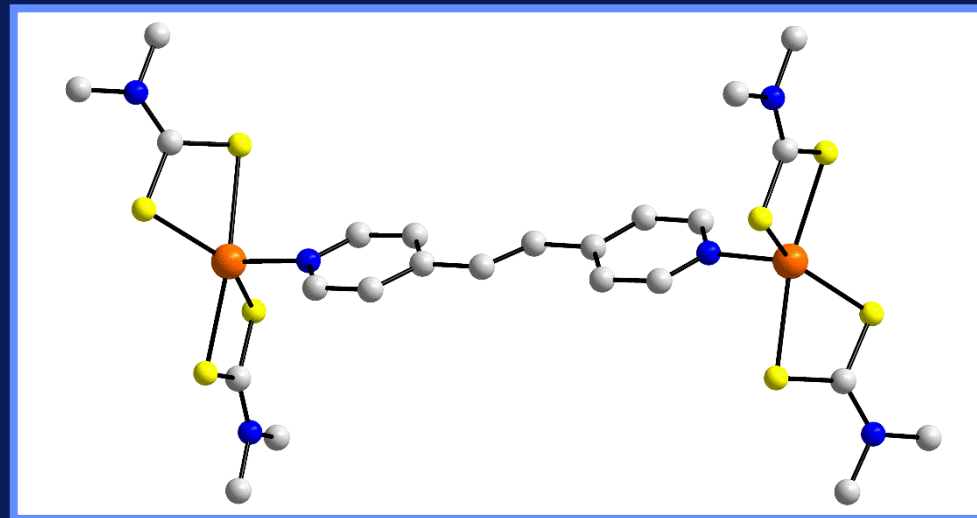
R = iPr



R = Cy

Zinc(dithiocarbamate)₂ + bpe

R = Me

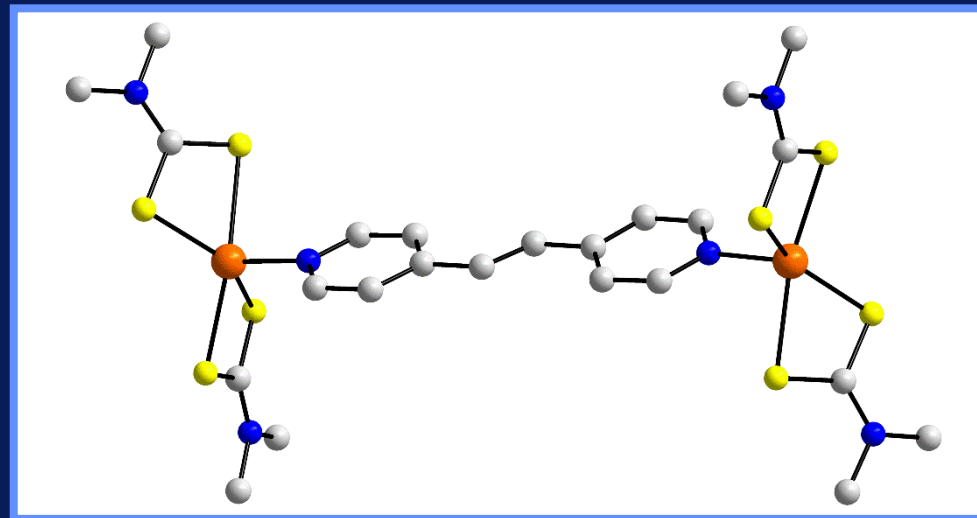


Zinc(dithiocarbamate)₂ + bpe

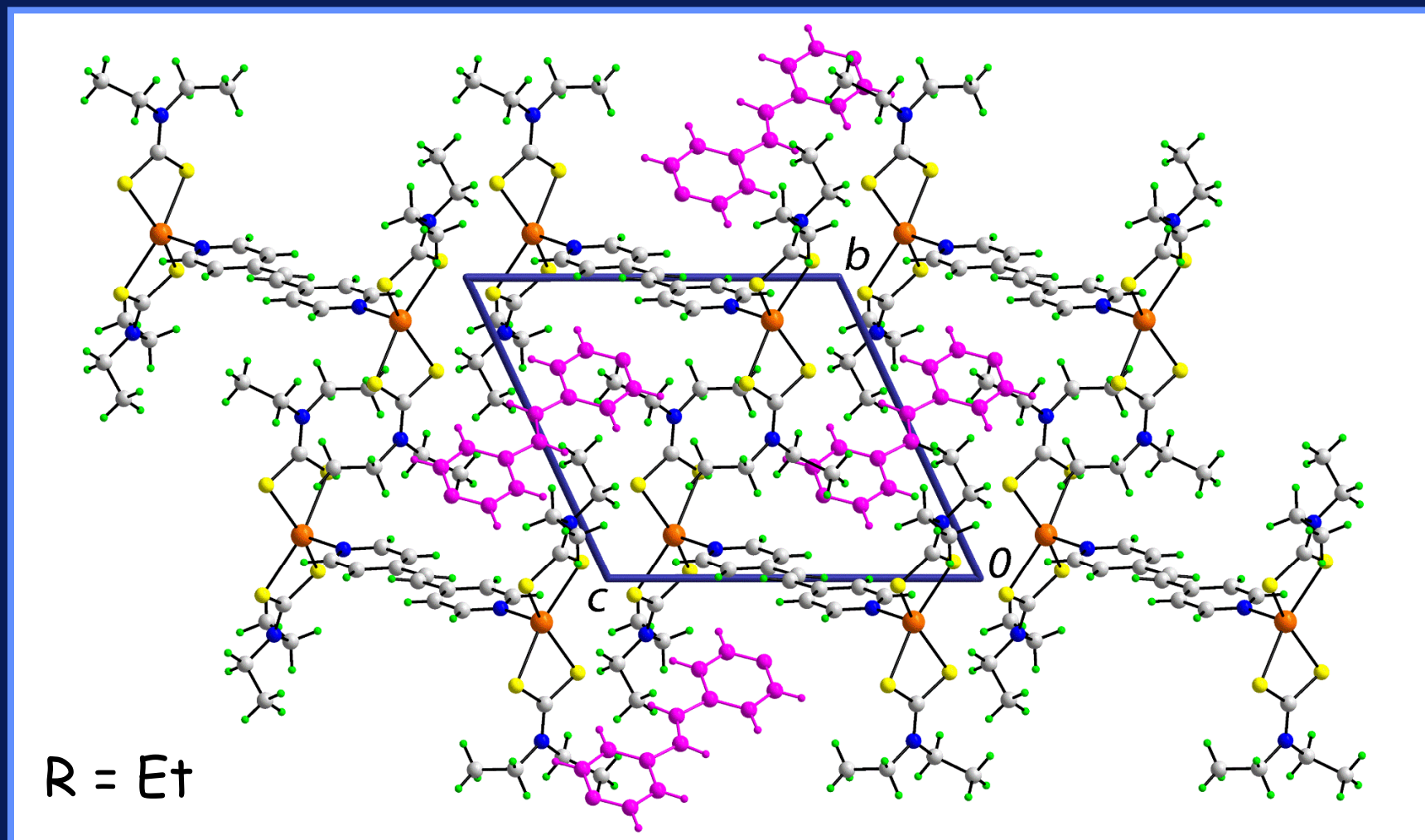
R = Me

R = Et

R = iPr

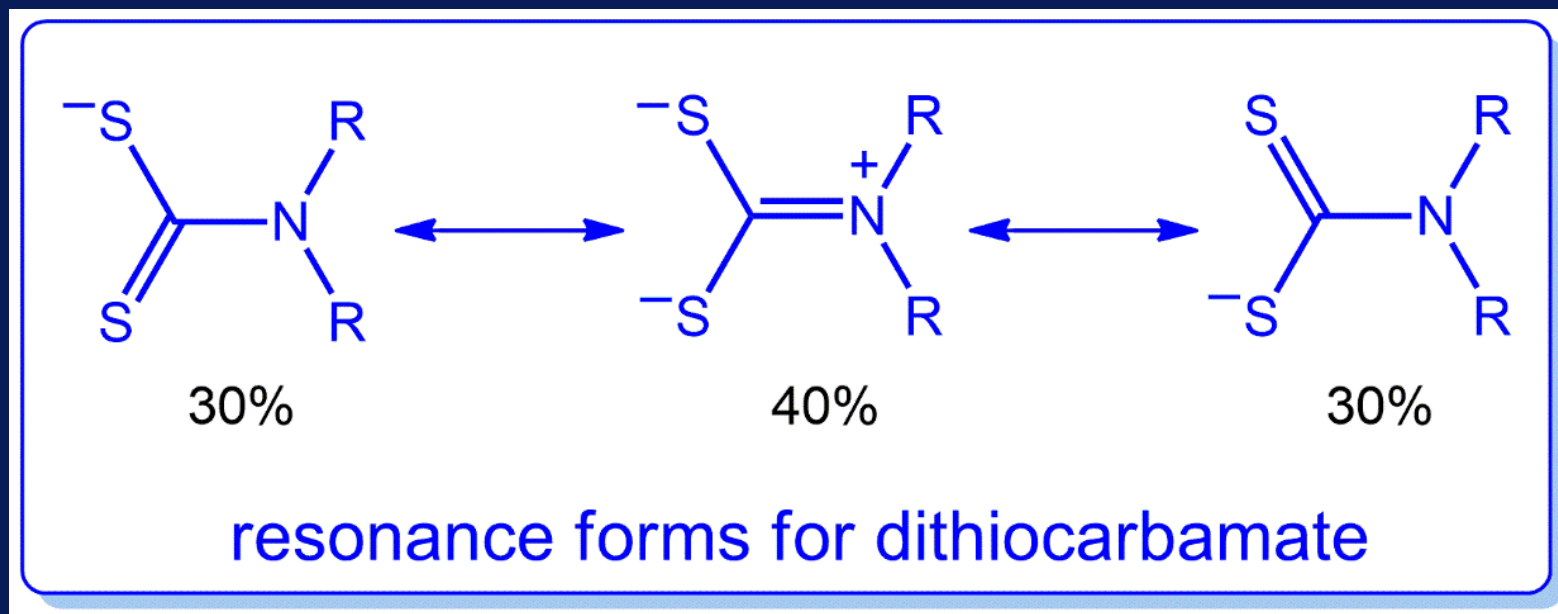


Zinc(dithiocarbamate)₂ + bpe



Crystallisation with an excess bpe leads to a lattice adduct

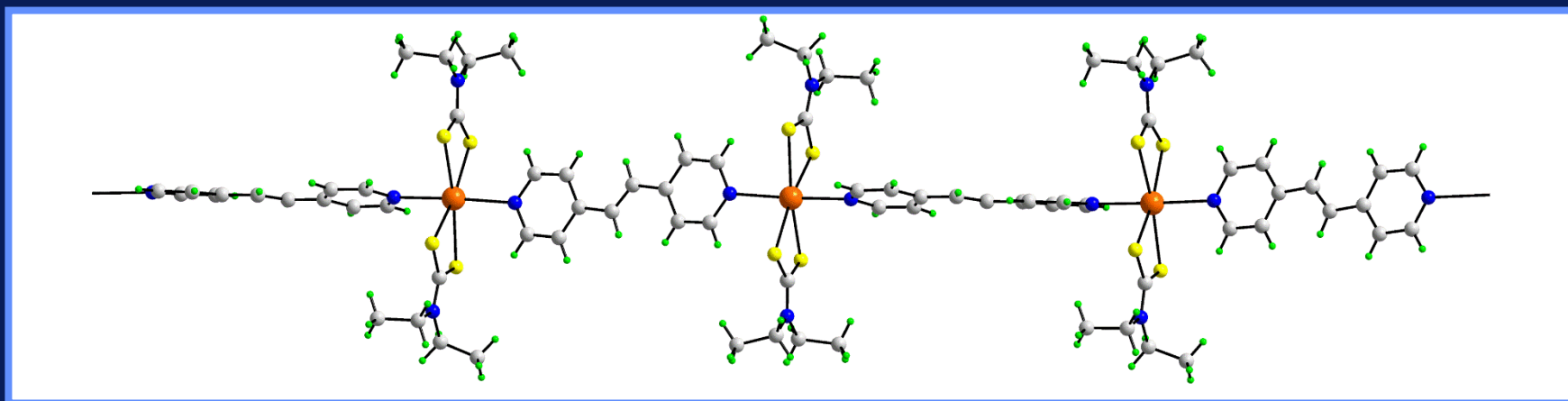
Explanation: electronic effects



Effective chelator for metals and reduces Lewis acidity

Cadmium(dithiocarbamate)₂ + bpe # 1

R = Et



Increase the size of the metal centre

Conclusion #2

One can control supramolecular aggregation in metal 1,1-dithiolates by:

electronic effects

size of the central element

Au-Au



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